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MATTHEW PATTEN HOUSE.

THE DIARY

OF

MATTHEW PATTEN

OF BEDFORD, N. H.

FROM SEVENTEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR TO
SEVENTEEN HUNDRED EIGHTY-EIGHT

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MATTHEW PATTEN'S DIARY

One of the early settlers in Bedford was Matthew Patten, who was born in Ireland, May 19, 1719, and moved to this country in 1728. He came to Souhegan-East in 1738; was judge of probate in this county, being appointed to that office in 1776. He represented the towns of Bedford and Merrimack in the general court in 1776 and 1777; was one of the governor's council in 1778; was appointed justice of the peace about 1751, and continued in that office until his death, August 27, 1795. He died in a field near the south part of the town. The men were mowing, and he went to carry them their dinner. Being somewhat fatigued, he sat down under a tree, where in a short time he was found dead.

He had always kept a diary. After his death, this remained in the possession of his daughters, Sarah and Polly Patten. They gave it to Dr. Peter P. Woodbury about the year 1850, or rather they gave to him that portion of the diary which then remained, for the earlier pages from its beginning down to about 1754 had been lost. Dr. Woodbury preserved this diary until his death in 1860, when it continued in the possession of his family until the present time. Its merits were so much appreciated by the town, as a record of its earliest settlement, that the sum of $500 was appropriated for its publication, and the committee who were charged with the publication of the town's history were entrusted with the duty of publishing this diary.

The diary was written upon pages of white writing paper, six inches long by three and a half inches wide, and in so fine a hand that upon some of them more than four hundred words are to be found. The leaves were folded, three sheets within another, making sixteen pages to a "book." At the top of the first page of each of these books was written: "A Day Book continued, Etc.," which will explain the regular recurrence of that expression throughout the following print. All these sixteen-page books are skilfully bound together with strong linen thread, natural color. The writing is remarkably well preserved and legible, considering its fineness.

Copy of Matthew Patten's Diary

(1754)

18th Finished makeing sashes being 132 squares

19th Made a book cubbard a ——— ——— [1]

20th Went to Londonderry to decide the controversie between Thos Hall and Joshua Follensbe but was disappointed by reason of Lieut not Comeing

21st Was at James and John Andersons and Tarried all night

22d went to Joseph Kidders and got three bushells of Malt and was obliged to leave ½ bushel of ground malt because the bag would not hold it

24th sold my houseing and houlding ——— for seventy five pounds brot 3 hundred and ¾ inches of ——— pine staves and had it hauled up to the ——— Rodgers

Mr Kennedy Came with a ——— Dun ——— ——— and I gave up mine ——— away

JULY

I made a smoothing plain for John ——— and a fore plain for Robt Walker

Benjn Linkfield and I workt with William Barnet

Went to Capt Goffes to arbitrate between Thos Hall and Joshua Folensbe

Benjn Linkfield and my oxn workt at the highway with Willm Barnet

5th Concluded on a judgment but did not Draw it in writing for the Court was to meet again to do it but no time appointed to do it nor place

6th Got over a stock of white pine boards over Merrymac river from Capt Goffes mill measuring 520 feet and brought 4 boards home

7th heard Mr Butler preach at Mr ——— in Derryfield in the forenoon he preached from John 14 and 6 and in the afternoon From Matthw 6 & 33 verse

8th set out for Haverhill to bring ——— salt and Lodged with Mr Wil ——— in Haverhill John Goffe Junr ——— ——— that day which was O £ ———

9th set out home with 2½ ——— 5 pair of brass Hinges 2 bush ——— 14 fish Hooks pd Mr Willm ——— of Lo:derry 1-11-0 I owed him for ——— I had of him last year and recd of Capt Goffe ——— Old Tenor on the 8th day

10th lay all day being ——— ———

11th Gave Benjn Vickery ——— ——— Elias Dickey for a syth

15th Took 4 bushel of rie to mill and went along with David burns to

[1] These omissions are due to torn manuscript, or being so badly worn as to be illegible.

show him the third Division no one john B——— and Francis Dimond being in company and Found about Two Thousand of shingles made on it and they helped me bundle them up and Dimond Came with his oxon to haull them away but was Disappointed by Wm Howard who made them agreeing to pay 3 pound Old Tenor in September next

(1754)

16th Took a Note from William Howard for three pound old Tenor to be paid me 15th of next Sept^{r}

18th Lent Willm Holms six treas full of Rie

20th Mary Linn went home

21st Mr MacGregore preached in Bedford on the 165 verse of ye 119 Psalm and Baptized our third child named Matthew

22 & 23^{d} Benjn Linkfield and I workt at Jerret Rowans ——— ——— Clapboards and ——— ———

25th Sold My Gun to Sam^{ll} Martain for twenty pounds New Tenor on Demand with interest till paid and got John Maclaughlin Gun on Tryal

26th Sent Benjn Linkfield to L: Derry to Fetch my Grindston and to Mrs Cochrane to get something for suses toe and Got a poltice and some salve and brought home the Grindstone and I went along with Capt Goffe to run the lines of Capt Parkers lot No 7 in the 11 Rang and was more than half a day

28th Mr Houstone Preached in Bedford From the 14th Verse of the 25th Psalm The servant of the Lord is with them that fear him and he will shew them his Covenants

29th Wm Moors boy Took away a table I had made for him of which he had paid twenty shillings before

30th my wife and I went to Londonderry to see her mother who fell the sabath before and Disjoynted her wrist of her left hand and Changed an Eight pound bill at Capt Goffes and paid 3-11-8 for Capt Goffes and john Goffes and a bole of rum I had when my Brother and I took loges to the river and a jill of rum this day

AUGUST FIRST

Returned home again and Willm Rodger Eight shillings for hauling on white pine Log from the river to the Mill had Jerret Rowan and his wife and Smith Kennedy Junr wife helping me reap rie

2^{d} Had the same hands helping me reap and Finish had 29 stooks

3^{d} Got in my rie and Finished pooling Flax

4th Mr McClintock preached in Bedford from Colocians 3 & 3—For ye and Dead and your life is hid with Christ in God

6th recd eight pounds one shilling and ten pence half penny from john Quig and the intrest Due on it and of the payments made last on the bond and paid Mary Linn eight pound and sent eight pound along with john Quig to Rhod Island to Change for New Hamp^{r} money and sent Benjn Linkfield to Moors with Four bushel of Rie

7th I went and fetched the meal home from james Moors

8th Robert Walker paid me for a fore plain and paid me three shillings over

11th Mr Butler preached in Derryfield at Mr Stevens Barn From Isaiah the 61 and 2d:—To Proclaim the acceptable year of ye Lord and the day of Vengeance of our God to Comfort all that Mourn

12th paid Wm Thompson for his wifes weaving 4 £

13th Andrew Walker Gave me six pound old Tenor to give Gauin Riddel and alowed me to pay him six shillings more on his account and Finished an oval Table for my Brother samls wife

16th Began to mow my Meadow

18th Mr Houston Preached in Bedford from the 3d Chapter of ye first Epistle General of John and the Former part of ye 23d Verse

21st Paid Francis Barnet 7 £ old Tenor being eleven shillings more than I owed him for makeing shoes

26th went to Lichfield and got 1½ bushels Indian corn from samll Gibson on account of what he owed me and Got a half bushel at Harvill and paid him Fifteen shillings for it paid him for one Night Entertainment I had there in the spring before or last spring

27th had a tooth pulled out Lieut Barron

28th Paid James Kennedy six pound and being all I owed him except six shillings more

29th had my Gun New Buss't & a new worm From samll Woods

30th Drew a bill of sale of David Smiths goods to samll Vose From John Smith his Father and Got a hay Fork and ring from James Kennedy

31st Went to Capt Goffes and signed our Judgement concerning Thos Hall and Joshua Follensbe

SEPTEMBER FIRST

Mr. Houston Lectured in the forenoon on the first 9 verses of the 5th Chapter of Matthew and Preached in the afternoon From the eighteenth Verse of the Fourth Chapter of the First Epistle of John

3d I had my mar shod with James Kennedy he found two new shoes and Got a Quart of Rum from Capt Goffe and paid Fifteen shillings for it and Finished mowing my meadow

5th Got Five cocks of hay in that I cut at David Smiths yard and Benjn Linkfield and I went up to Jerret Rowans and helped about Bolting Clapboards stuff Bundled up some shingles in order to Draw away on the next morning and Benjn stayed all night

6th went away to Chester to Fetch home two Calf skins I had Curried there and Took a Cow hide that Lieut Barron Tanned—it weighed 9¾ to Mr Roby in Chester to be Curried & Brought my Calfs skins but had not Change to pay for them the coast of Currieing was Fifteen shillings and was paid to the Currier by Capt Talford

8th Mr McClintock preached in Bedford From Hebrews ye 4th and 16

9th Surveyed 2650 feet of Boards for John Bell Junr from Eleazar Wells Took more than half a day and peiced the stock of gun for James Boyes Junr of Londonderry and Charged Twelve shillings and he paid me Eighteen pence toward it

12th Finished stocking a gun for John Anderson Junr of Londonderry and Charged him Three pounds Five shillings old Tenor for it

15th Mr McClintock Discoursed From the First 13 verses in the 25th Chapter of Mathws Gospel Being the parable of the Ten Virgins and made ten observations from it

16th Benjn Linkfield Thrashed Rie and I Began to make a Fram for Mrs Chandlers lookingGlass

17th Finished the lookingglass Fram and benjn Linkfield went to Londonderry to see the training and to Fetch from Widow Greggs one Bar of Iron one set of Cart Boxes and two Grave stones for my Fathers Grave and sent 3 £ to pay for the Carting and to buy 3 pounds of Lead

18th Benjn Linkfield came home and brought home one barr of iron one set of Cart Boxes and two Grave Stones and he paid Widow Gregg 1lb–15s–0d for the Carting from Haverhil and a grindstone

19th James Kennedy mended the hook of Colter that goes into the Shear and Benjn began to plough to sow rie

20th went to Alexr McMurphys mill and got Four Bushels of new rie ground

21st Got James Linn to kill a heifer which weighed 240 beaf and 42 hide 10 3-4 of Talow and sold James Kennedy 26 £ of beaf at 1/6 shilling per £ and sold Willm Holms 29 £ of beaf a Ditto

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED AND ——

NOVEMBER 18th Gathered together Wm Barrs John Bells Richard Macalesters and Jerret Rowans oxen and Rowan himself in Order to break up and it proved a rainy day that we Could not

19th Did break up and had John Bells and Jerret Rowans Richard Macalester Willm Pettersons and Matthew Littles oxen and Rowan and John Parker helping me and had Willm Holms Plow and Let Richard Macaleaster have 2lb–5s–6d old Tenor on Rowans account and went to Willm Moors and 2 Quarts of Herds grass seed and all the Red Top seed he had and is to give him 2lb–0s–0d for the Red Top seed and one sheep skin of him and took a bond of Andrew Bradfords for 30 £

20th broke up and had all the oxen I had the day before but John Bells and had my Brothers in their room and my Brothers boy & his plow broke a chain of Rowans and Got a new Link put in its room

25th went to Miller Moors and got 2 bushels of Indian and 1½ of wheat ground and went and showed Robert Neasmith no one a Third Division

26th went a hunting a killed Two Bucks and lay at Willm Macdowells

27th Hunted all day but got nothing and sold no one to Robt Neasmith For Two Hundred Pounds old Tenor and gave him a deed and Took his and John Thomas Bond for the money to be paid April 1st 1755

28th Being Thanksgiving

30th Hunted and Catched a Sable

DECEMBER FIRST

Mr Houston Preached in Bedford From Epheseans the second and first verse

2d Killed my Hoggs which weighed 411 £

3d set out for Boston

7th returned home again

10th recd 66 £ silver money and 4 lbs paper money and 0-5-7 silver From Robt Neasmith being 100 lbs old Tenor Dollars at 3-5-0 and struck off the Intrest from the Remainder of his Bond till the 22d of July

16 went to Gan Riddels and Got a tree for sledge sides and Rowan Drawed into the mill

17th went and sawed three sides

19th Robt Willson of Boston was at my house and Gave me power of attorney to sell Joseph Linns Right in Bedford and set up Advertisements for that end

20th paid Lieut Barron 8-0-0 old Tenor and went & Divided 12 acres of Richard Macallesters mill lot to his son Archibald

23rd went to Litchfield and Merrymac and altered the Advertisements for ye sale of Linns Land From Wm Holms to John Goffe Esqr at Two of the Clock Afternoon

24th went to James Karrs and brought my steel Trap to Francis Barnetts & Bought Two Sable skins from Noah Kidder and Company For 2 £ silver and paid Jotham Tuttle 1-12-6 in silver & 7s/6 (he owed me by the remainder of silver Buckles and writing a Deed being 11s of our old Tenor) For Two Rackoon skins

25th I Fixt in a gun lock for Robt Giffin and Charged 5s/ and made a side to my timber sledge and John Burns Junr Brought a Gun of John Karsons to be stocked

26th went to Merrymac to Divide Joel Dixs estate but was misput by reason Capt Chamerlin would not come And Willm Read promised to pay the one half of my wages and James Gillmor and Peter Rusel the other half and made a squar for John Bell and Charged Ten Shillings

27th Let Benjn Smith have 5lb-4s-0d New Hampshire money

30th Finished makeing a wood sledge

31st went to Francis Barnetts and got the remainder of my sole Leather and upper Leather and Carried it to Noah Thayers to Get a pair of shoes made for Cutting and John

On the 30th writ Two Deeds and Two Bonds for Richard Macallester and Charged 1-0-0 Old Tenor

JANUARY FIRST 1755

Finished stocking of a Gun for Robt Mack

3d Noah Thayer brought John a pair of pumps and Benjn went with our Oxen and sledge to the Great Meadow and Got the load as far as John Bells and he and the oxen went home with Thayer and took the load hom the next morning and I went to Miller Moors and Got Two Bushel of Indian Corn and Two Bushel of Turkey wheat Ground

4th went to Majr Goffes and got 1½ bushells of Rie ground

6th Katrine Little Came to spin at our house and I bought Two sable skins from John Little and paid him 2-0-6 silver money for them and Benjn went to the Great Meadows for hay for noah Thayer with the oxen and mear

7th Benjn went to ye Great Meadow and Katrine Little went away at noon to see her father who had broke his arm and bought Three sable skins from Thos Miller and gave him 2-7-0 silver for them.

8th Peiced a stock of a Gun for Willm Mack and Charged him 1-0-0 which he paid

9th Swaped Bukles with Wm Mack and was to have 3-10-0 to Boot 2-0-0 of which he paid me and went to Litchfield and bought 8:0:0 pounds worth of corn and brought away 4½ bushels at 1-0-0 pr bushel and bought one fox skin & one rackoon skin from Benjn Blodget son and gave him 1-13-9 silver for them

10th went to Litchfield and brought away 3½ Bushels of Indian corn and Willm Read being the remainder of the 8-0-0 worth I bought of him and bought Two Fox skins and a Rackoon skin from James Underwood for 1½ dollar

11th Brought home 21 yds of cloath from Mary Burns and killed Two yearling Bucks

13th sent a pair of Two year old Stears to John Smiths in New Boston (and a yearling Heifer to his father Macneal to winter out) by Robt Cochrane and Mr Willm Staineal

14th went to Litchfield to buy corn but Got none and bought a Gray Fox skin from Samll Moor and Gave 15s/ for it and swaped horses with Samll Boyes and and Gave 1 £ to boot and released Wm Mack of his Buckles and he Gave me 10s/

15th went along with Willm Holms to Justice Goffes to speak to a case he had with Samll Sinkler but Sinkler was Defaulted and Benjn and oxen helped Robt Holms to Draw logs

16th Benjn & oxen helped Robt Holms to Draw logs and I hunted and bought two sable skins from page and kidder

17th Hunted and Broke a Bucks leg and sold Two steel Traps to Thos Kennedy for 5 red Fox skins three of which he promised to pay me Down and the other two this winter if he Catched 3 more & had a sable skin from Noah Thayer

18th Catched the Buck that I had leg Brok the day before and recd by John Moor a sable skin I had bought of James Manneley on the 10th inst

19th Mr McClintock Lectured in the Forenoon on First 5 verses of the First Chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon on the 12th Chapter of Eccliasties First verse

21st went to Majr Goffes and Vendued The Third Division lot belonging to Joseph Linns Right in Bedford to James Matthues for 8s/6d pr acre and adjourned the vendue till the Tuesday the Fourth day of Febry next at Two of the Clock in the Afternoon to Majr Goffes & bought a gray fox skin from Samll Killpatrick and James Wallace for 5s/ silver

22d went to Majr Goffes and sawed two sticks of Cherry tree which made 4 plank and two boards and one maple log which made Three planks and two Boards and had ½ a mug of Flip and one Jill of Rum

25th Lent Dr Thornton 33 £ peice of gold and took his Note of hand for it on Demand and James Macdugal brought me 7 £ of wool and one paper of ink powder which amounted to 2-15-6 for which he recd a peice of gold 33 £ old Tenor

27th had a steaple and ring mended by James Kennedy and recd a steel Trap From John Worthley and Took a note from him for as much Beaver

as to make a hat on Demand for ye use of it for 4 Season being but half hire

28th Got a pair of shoes which sam^{ll} Petterson made me he found Thread and had the Leather from Matth^{w} Little the upper Leather he owed me and the sole Leather I Borrowed from him and my wife and I went to her Fathers

29th I came home again and got 2½ Gallon of Molasses from Capt Mitchels wife a 28^{s}/ p^{r} Gallon and Cleared out of Major Goffes for house Expences Left 16^{s}/6^{d} in his hands

30th went to Merrymac to hear the Counterfitt money Money makers Tryal Tarryed over night at Widow Parkers

31st Came to Capt Cumings and recd a Deputation to apprehend some others suspected set out with Robt Ushar Wm Thorton Wm Holms John Quig and sam^{l} Patten and rid from a little after the moonrise all night and all the First day of February being Saterday

FEBRUARY

2^{d} Mr McClintock Lectured on the 13th & 14 verses of the First Chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon on the fifteen th verse of the 7th Chapter of ye 2 Epistle to the Corinthians

3th set out after midnight with Thomas McLaughlin and John Little to summon Aaron Quimby but mist of it he being obsconded summoned on Sabbath day John Stark John Quig Benjn Smith & Wm Moor to appear on Monday and somoned Nash and Caleb Emery Junr on Monday to appear Before Joseph Blanchard Esqr

4th set out for merrymac rid all night and apprehended sam^{ll} Barnett and Robt Giffin and David MacNight and summoned John Burns Wm Thornton James Wallace and had John Wason Andrew Bixby and sam^{ll} Patten and Joseph Thomas assistance

8th attended on the affair of the counterfitt Money and gave in my aCcount to Mr. Parker to Carrie to Court

10th went Hugh Ridels to get him to Come to Maj^{r} Goffe to Draw writings with Thos Bigsby & John Bell about the meeting house for 130 £ old Tenor

11th Bargained with them and Drew the writings and Stayed at Goffes all night

12th Came home and went in the afternoon and cut a red oak tree on Dr Millers Lot for slit work

13th went to Deacon Boies and became Dr to him for Five Pound on James Kennedys aCcount and Gave my note of hand as surety with James Kennedy for 33 £ old Tenor and sawed the red oak tree in cuts of 8 feet long and let Jarret Rowan have Two bushel of Rie and one he had Before when John Quigs Barn was Frameing was all His Demand for him and his wife reaping for me last summer

14th went & hall^{d} in the red oak Log I cut the day Before and brought home 6 Boards from Macalesters mill and 3 slips sawed out of a slab

15th had my horse shoes sharpened and set by James Kennedy and Bought 3 sable skins for 2-18-0 one red fox skin for 1-0-0 one rackoon

skin for 15s/ and one Black cats skin for 1-15-0 and a wild cats skin to Carrie to sell from John Worthley

16th Mr Houston Lectured in Bedford in the Forenoon from 1 of the song and the first 5 verses and preached in the afternoon from the 25th chapter of Isaiah and and the 4 verse (a Cover from the Tempest)

17th paid John Worthly 6-10-0 being 2s/ toward the wild cats skin over the rest of the fur & James Kennedy brought his Gun to be stocked and writ a Letter to Mr Robt Willson and sent for ⅛ of a hundred of Shugar and ¼ yd spoted yarn by Hannah Barnett to Boston for which I gave her 2 Dollars and set out with Capt Chamberlin and went to Goffes and Starks Town to apprehend Counterfitt Money makers travelled all night and got to MonterLoney by morning

18th he apprehended Ephrm Martain and summoned Daniel and John Martain and I parted with Capt Chamberlin at Thos Halls and I went to James Karrs and Got 2 sable skins from Praish Richardsons and Borrowed 2 £ from Wm Read of Hampse money to give him

19th & 20th Hunted but Got nothing and bought 2 sable skins from Fasett for 35s/ silver and recd 2 Red fox skins from Thos Kennedy on the aCcount of the Traps I sold him

22d Had Willm Holms & Willm Petersons oxen helping me Haul Logs to the river and got 4 yelow pine logs and one white pine

23d Mr. Houston Preached in Bedford From the 8 of the Prophesy of Isaiah and 7th verse

24th Bought 2 sable skins and Three Musfquash From John Mash and Gave him a Dollar for them

25th was Training in Bedford and Barron recd a Capt Commission and John Moore Lieut and John Goffe Ensign and I paid James Karr 1-15-0 for Faset for two sable skins I had of him and paid Daniel Kendel 2-0-0 New Hampr money for Willm Read which I Borrowed of sd Read at Thos Halls to give to Parish Richardson

26th Sold a Buck skin to Joseph Thomas for 12 £ old Tenor and a Fawn skin for 3 £ to be paid in one month

MARCH

2d Mr Houston Lectured in Bedford in the forenoon on the First of the Song and on the 5 6 7 8 9 verses and preached in the afternoon From the 7th of 2d Corinthians and 10 verse

3d Bought a sable skin from Capt Bushnell and paid the money and got ½ a Quire of paper from James Macdugall and James Kennedy had my Horse to Litchfield for Corn and to Miller Moors mill

7th Took a note of Joshua Martains for my two Traps and chains and three pounds of Beaver for the Loan of them

8th Finished stocking noah Thayers gun Carryed 8 Knots to Charles Kinersons To be turned into Dishes and Bought 3 sable skins from Capt Perham and 4 Mink skins from his son for 2 £ silver money and one mink skin from James Peters and Benjn Kidder for 15s/ our money and endorsed the Back of the writ For Majr Goffe to fill up to seize Samll Martains Cow at Capt Perhams

9th Mr MacClintock Lectured in Bedford From the First of Johns Gospel and the 15-16-17 & 18th verses and Preached in the afternoon From the 7th of 2d Corinthians and the 10th verse

10th Let Joshua Martain have my two Traps and James Kennedy made me two Chains one of 4 feet and 4 inches and the other of 4 Feet and 8 inches Long and James Macdugall brought me a thirty three pound peice of gold out of which he owed me 30–4–6 but I could not give him his chang

14th Dr Thornton paid me 11 Dollars and a pistol which he Borrowed of me in January last on the 25th day and Finished stocking of James Kennedys Gun

17th went to Londonderry and Got a Cow Delivered to me by Nathaniel Martain for his brother Samll and gave him his Brothers note & I was to pay the Cows keeping at Capt Perhams and John Moor had my oxen

18th Recd 8 Dollars From Robt MacMurphy for to buy Cloath for a Coat and jackoat for James MacCurdy and Came home again and Gillmor had my oxen

On the 13th I paid Gan Riddel 1–4–0 old Tenor and 1–8–0 was offset by Noah Thayer Cleared him of Andrew Walkers money being 12s/ of my own which advanced

19th Charles Emerson Brought me home 11 Dishes he Turned for me and he Charged me 2–0–0 four shillings of which I had paid him before and went and got 3 knots up at Gan Riddels And our youngest Child was Taken sick a little before night very bad he Continued till Thursday about the middle of the afternoon and then Departed this Life He was thirteen months and 20 days old

20th as above our Child Departed and before he Died I went to Charles Emersons with the three Knots I got the day before and Got a Cow from Capt Perham which he had in Keeping for Samuel Martain and Gave him Samll Martains order & became Dr to Capt Perham 1–10–0 old Tenor for her keeping and bought 9 sable skins & one black cat skin from Jacob Jewel for 10 £/ on of the sable skins he was to bring to Mr Peters for me

21st Borrowed 4 Gallon and ½ a pint of Rum of Majr Goffe and Interred the body of the Child at Three of the Clock afternoon John Little made the Coffin

22d paid Majr Goffe 1 gallon and 1 quart & 1 pint of rum of the day befores borrowing

26th was our annual town meeting I was chose surveyor of Timber and the meeting was adjourned to Saterday the 29th

28th was our General Fast

29th was Chose Town Clerk and the Town voted to give me 6 £/ old Tenor for what I should record for the town this year and was to find me paper to write the minut of the town on

30th our son John was taken very bad in ye forenoon so that we almost Dispaired of his life he was easier in the afternoon by Giving him Chamber Lie and Molassess sweet oyl and neatsfoot oyl

31st he was easy in the morning but was taken bad again about Nine or Ten of the Clock in the forenoon and Complained of his being like to Choak and Continued very bad till the moon riseing which was 30 minuts

after 10 at night and then he got easyer and slept till morning I had to get up after the moon riseing but once till morning

APRIL FIRST

John Smith swingled Flax for me one day Benjn Broak Flax for him

2^{d} he swingled by the £ and did 24 £ and Benjn did 9 £

3^{d} he and benj^{n} Finished swingling Smith 16½ £ with what he swingled the day before amounted to 40½ £ he did by the ℔ and Benjn swingled 6½ £ the whole of what flax we had this year was 85¾ £

CONTINUED FROM THE PRECEDING BOOK, APRIL 3^{d} 1755

went to Londonderry to Give in my account to the Executors of Elias Dickeys estate and Lodged at Samuel Dickeys

4th went to Alex^{dr} Walkers and Bought ⅓ of an ounce of Silk for 15^{s}/ and ¾ of a y^{d} of Buckrum at 13^{s}/6^{d} and paid the money & went to Capt Mitchells and 15 mettle butts at 15^{s}/ and 2 large ones a 3^{s}/4^{d} and 3 scanes of mohair a 15^{s}/ and paid him 1 £ and remains due to him 13^{s}/4^{d} yet to be paid went to my father in laws and they gave me 1½ bushel of Peas and Came to Elias Dickeys and bought several articles and Lodged there all night and paid 8^{s}/ for my Entertainment

On the 3^{d} I bought 7 sable skins and one mink skin and one red Fox skin from Willm Read for 8^{lb}/15^{s} and paid him 9 £

5th Came home again and received a shovel from Mr Peter Rusell a Gift in leiu of last I had made him and went to a training at widow Chandlers and Gave up Benjn Linkfields Indenture

6th Mr McClintock Lectured in Bedford From the 19th to the 29th verses of the first Chap^{t} of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon from the 7th of second Corinth^{ns} and 10th verse

7th Apprised John Macdugalls estate

8th Borrowed one Quart of rum of Mr Goffe and recd a sable skin from Mrs Peters on Jacob Jewel that I paid him for before

9th Bought No one in the 2^{d} Rang on the north side of Piscataquog river in Goffs town from James MacGregore for 150 £ old Tenor and lent Wm Holms Two Dollars and James Milltimber and 4 more Tailors with him a little before night

10th They finished a fly-coat and jacoat and a pair of Leather Britches and they charged 5–5–0

11th went to Merrymac to run round Rodger MacNights lot

12th went to Hugh Riddels to Divide a lott of Land between him and James Aiken and Did their writings and Mesured 17½ Tun of white oak Timber for Robert Gillmore and 17 Tun and 15 feet of white oak timber for Lieu^{t} Moor and Willm Holms Gave me the 2 Dollars all but 20 shillings

14th James Kennedy made a new shoe for my Horse and set it and Hugh Riddel and James Aiken Came and finished their writings and paid me 40^{s}/ for my pains and gave a letter from Robt Willson and order of Court for the sale of Joseph Linns estate in Bedford and sold a Buckskin to John Macdugall for 10^{lb}/10^{s} and recd the money one 5 £ of Rhod Island and a 4 £ and a 30^{s} of New Hamp^{r}

15th Set out for Newbury and Lodged at Haverhill

16th Set out and arived at Newbury and Sold as much sale Furr to Mr Carter as I took 71 £ in dollars

17th Set out for Boston and sold 6 rackoon skins to Hatll Lord for 7lb/10s

22d Arived home in the evening

23d Bought one sable skin from John Mash and Gave him 1 £ for it and he returned me a peistreen I had given him before which amounted to 13s/6d and I Gave him 1lb-6s-0d and there remained due to him 7-6

25th set out for Litchfield to get 12 bushel of Corn from Mr. Peter Rusell but got none but gave him 8-10-0 for 4 bushel of Corn and 2 of rie and got 1½ bushel of Oats from Samll Gibson for what he owed me in the remainder of stocking a Gun for him

28th writ a lease for John Mclaughlin Junr and Benjn Linkfield and Benjn paid me and John Mclaughlin is yet to pay and charged him 10s

29th Samll Peterson had eight pair of heels a 10d/ pr pair silver money and I went to Litchfield and got 4 bushel of Indian corn and 2 bushels of Rie from Lieut Rusel which I had paid him for on the 25th and Lodged with him all night and Bought an Otter skin from James Gillmoor for 50s and Gave him a Dollar and 5s was in Willm Read hand which he promised to take as pay

30th Got four bushel of Indian corn Ground into meal and bought the Toal from James Moor but Could not pay him for want of Chang the Toal came to 6/3 old Tenor and paid James Macdugal 55s/6d silver which he overpaid me in a peice of gold of 33£ also and gave John smith One dollar and 5 £ in paper money for 4 bushell of Indian corn and for 40s I owed him for swingling Flax and the remainder he promised to return as soon as he Got Change

MAY FIRST

Sowed some peas and Oats and Wheat and recd 3 £ old Tenor from Samll Paterson

3d let Mashs wife of Wiers town have a peck Flax seed

5th went to Litchfield and vendued Mr John Rickeys place in Londonderry for the Revd Mr. Parker and widow Parker and recd ½ Dollar and 40s/ for my pains old Tenor

6th returned home again and Got 4 bushel of rie ground into meal at James Moors and Got the Toal for pay and could not pay it by reason of the want of change the Toal cam to 8s-9d old Tenor

8th Fetched home 416 £ of hay from Lieut Moors and paid my brother Samll 3-1-0 and there remains due 10s/6d more and Got ½ a bushel of Potatoes from James Walker and Samll Paterson soled a pair of shoes for me

9th sowed my Barley

12th James Kennedy mended my plow Irons and made two plates for a plow and Charged one pound for the whole Job and John Worthly paid me 4-10-0 on aCcount of the loan of Steel Traps and Discounted with him for a wild Cats skin and there remains Due to me 3-15-0 and Jerret Rowan had ½ a bushel of Flax seed from me

13th Samll Patterson came to me to make shoes and the sole leather that

I had of Capt Barron which he Tanned for me of my own hide weighed 16 £

15th I had one Hundred of hay of Lieut Moor and some Robt gave me and had one bushel of Potatoes of Robt Gilmoor and went to James Littles barn raising in the afternoon where I had the Melancholy sight to see John Patterson Killed by one of the beams (viz) the one Next to the floor on the last side the North end of it slipt from the first gurt and took him along with it to the Ground and fell Direct on his head which ended his life so that he never breathed the blood ran fast at his ears and mouth and Nose Lieut Moore opened a vein in his arm but it was no purpose to recover him

16th Had Robt Gilmore and his son John and his oxen and Robt Badger & Samll Pattens oxen helping me in ye Forenoon ploughing for me and went to John Pattersons Funeral and writ a warrant for a town meeting to be held June 5 1755 and let John Moor have 3 sheets of paper for the selectmen

17th John and James Moor plowed for me in the forenoon with their fathers oxen and horse

19th Furrowed my land for planting

20th had Daniel and Margaret Quig and Robert and John Smith helping me plant Corn and potoes and John Quig and Hugh Macguines about 2½ hours and Night helping me Finish

21st sowed my Flax seed and went to Majr Goffes and vended Three lots of Land belonging to the right of land Formerly Joseph Linns of Boston Decd one to Samull Paterson a fity acre lot for 75 pounds old Tenor and a meadow lot to Matthw Little for 55 pounds old Tenor and a Third Division lot for 95 pounds old Tenor to James Mathues

22d set out for Haverhill to buy salt

23d Got 3 bushel of salt from Wm Duncan out of James Machards store and a file from sd Duncan and did not pay any of them

24th paid Wm Duncans wife 7 £ Benjn Linkfield sent by me for 5 pair of Gloves he had when he was Married

27th paid john Burns 11s/ old Tenor being the remainder of what he helped me last Faull a Clearing in the Little Meadow

28th went to Namaskeeg faulls and Fished til Saturday night and got with Buying and giveing and Catching 126 shad and 1 Salmon

30th let John Smith of New Boston have ½ a bushel of salt and Timothy Corlis have ½ a bushel of salt and Got 20 shad for it and John Maccurdy Gave me 9 shad

JUNE FIRST

Mr Macclintock preached in Bedford from the 2d of Jeremiah and 5 verse

2d James Kennedy Made 2 new shoes and set 4 on my horse ½ of the iron of the new shoes was his

4th had 18 shad from Samll Paterson the whole of what shad I got this fishing time was 175 and 2 salmon I bought 38 of them and Got 7 Lamper Elles

5th run round Deacon Boyes lot he lives on and went to a town meeting held at Wm Holms and was Chose along with James Little to Go to

the General Court to Get our unimproved lands Taxed and arbitrated on a Difference between Francis Barnet and Sam^{ll} Patterson

9th went to John smiths in Goffestown and got 4 bushel of Indian corn for myself and let Benjn Smith have two of them and got the promise of 4 bushels of him more

11th set out with Hugh Riddel through the town to gather something for Matthew Ramsey and my wife recd off Robt Nesmith the sum of 40-18-0 old Tenor on account of his Bond

12th Finished gathering for Mr Ramsey and Delivered all we got to Lieut Moor being 40-2-0 worth

16th Finished stocking John Rickeys Gun

17th he got her away and charged him 5 pounds for stocking her and a false lock which he did not pay down

18th set out for Boston on Robt MacKeans affair

21st returned home again but Could not Finish his affair

23^{d} went to Maj^{r} Goffes and heard him try two actions on Caleb Emery and one on John Marsh for Killing Cattle

25th recd my pay from Mr Thos Parker for my rideing last winter and what assistance I had with me and allowed him 1^{s}/ pr pound for getting it and Carried some rie to Kidders for Malt and Got ½ bushel I had there before and what I carried Changed all but ½ basket

26th paid Charles Emerson 40^{s}/ for himself and 30^{s}/ for Capt Perham

29th went to Londonderry & heard Mr McGregore Lecture from ye 7th of Amos from ye 10th verse to ye end and preached in the afternoon from the 12th of Luke and 56th verse

30th went to Litchfield to run lines for Mr Bowlin and was 2¾ days in his service and recd 1 £ from John Marshel and 17^{s}/ of Jac^{b} Heldreth

JULY 3^{d}

Run around Wm Patersons Third Division lot no 46 and charged 40^{s}/ but not paid

4th Run around a lot for Daniel Moor and charged 20^{s}/ not paid and run the line between James Greg and the Little Meadow and Benjn Smith and charged 20^{s}/ and run the line between Benjn Smith and John Quig

7th Paid John Smith 40^{s}/20 for Benjn Smith and the other for myself Ten shillings he alowed me out of my 20^{s}/ for service done here

8th Recd 166-10-0 old Tenor from Wm Graham for Thomas Smith

9th had John Aiken and Hugh Riddel Junr Helping me hoe

12th paid Benjn Linkfield 3 pounds old Tenor for a syth he brought me from James Paulls which syth Wm Barron had and finished Moulding my Corn

13th Mr Macclintock Lectured in the forenoon from the First Chapter of John Gospel From the 35th to the 43^{d} verse and preached in the afternoon from the 2^{d} of Jeremiah and 5 verse and recd 3 Dollars and one English shilling by Benjn Smith from Mr James Duncan for one Otter skin & 3 sable skins Willm Kennedy Carried to him for me

14th set out for Westford to Get a Cart Tyer

15th Bought a Cart Tyer from Mr Hunt and Nails for 13-10-0 Dollars I

paid him 4 Dollars and Gave him a Note of hand for 6-15-0 New Hamp^{r} old Tenor in Room of 2 Dollars and Come to Jon^{n} Parkeres and Bought 2 Quarts of Clover from him and ½ a bushel from his father Reading all at six shillings a quart silver money

16th paid Wm Thornton 3 £ old Tenor for his rideing along with me after money Makers being for his service and four shillings he expend at Thos Halls

17th paid John Mclaughlin for his son Thomas 1-18-0 being along with me after money makers for one day & night of himself and paid Sam^{ll} Walton 3-16-0 for John Wason & Andrew Bigsby on the same affair

19th Had Robt Smith and James helping me to Hill Corn

21st Had a Cow I had off Sam^{ll} Martain take Bull with patersons bull

22^{d} Robt & James Smith helped me hill Corn

23^{d} was a Fast throughout the province

24th settled with Wm Boiys and owed him 13-5-0 and paid 10£-10^{s} and remains Due to him 2-10 fine shillings he alowed me for my mear and paid Thos Smith of New Boston the sum 166-10 old which I recd of the 8th Instant Wm Graham 40^{s}/ he gave me and 5 £ for Robt Walker and 6£/10^{s} for Hugh Riddel

26th Let John Quig have two rakes

29th Finished Hilling my Corn and makeing Two Rakes for Benjn Smith and paid David Macnight 3 £ old tenor for his Father which I recd off Capt Colburn wife in Dunstable on the 15th Instant

30th Went to Londonderry was at a proprietors meeting of no 8 and paid Five pound to the Treasurer of sd no 8 being the whole of what was due on my right

AUGUST FIRST

Paid Mrs Wadal one pound for knitting a pair of barrd stockings for Benjn Linkfield and went to Chester and Indented with Mr Jonathan Sanders to Come and make me a pair of Cart Wheels by the middle of the weak after next and returned home again

2^{d} Let Benjn Smith have Two rakes and Gave Hugh Riddel 6-10-0 which Thos Smith left with me for him and Gave him 5 £ which sd Smith left for Robt Walker

3^{d} Mr MacGregore preached in Bedford from The 3^{d} verse of the 27 Psalm

4th James Kennedy finished makeing a set of Cart Hoops and Charged me 2-10-0 and a pair of Beetle rings and Charged 3^{s} & Jo^{s} Thomas gave my wife 15 £ old Tenor for a deers Leather a buck skin and fawn skin.

5th Went to Alex^{r} MacMurphys mill & got 2 bushels of rie and ¾ of a bushel of Turkey wheat Ground and went Adam Weirs and got the promise to fill 2 yds of Double Dimaty with Cotton and gave him 14 Cutts to do it with

8th Got two pigs from John Quig and Got a striped jacoat cut out by Hannah Barnet

9th had Patersons oxen and Cart in the forenoon helping me fetch hom Cart fellows from Strawberry Hill and reap my Barley being 5 stooks and one sheaf

10th heard Mr Macclintock preach at Lieut John Halls in Derryfield from Jer. ye 3d & 12

11th Hewed out my fellows for my wheels

12th Went to see Benjn Smiths youngest Child who Departed this life in the forenoon and made a Coffin for it in the afternoon & Catrain Little came to stay at our house till my Wife and I would go to the Buiring the next day which was to be at two of the clock afternoon

13th went to the funeral of Benjn Smiths child and Richard Macalester Jerret rowan and his wife reaping for me and Kathrine Little and Isabel Maclaughlin pulled flax for me in the afternoon & paid John Quig 2-17-0 for his riding with me last winter

14th Had Hugh Macguines helping me reap rie on John Maclaughlins account and Kathrine Little & Isabell Maclaughlin helping me pull flax in the forenoon

15th had Hugh Mackines reaping for himself and Saml Bell paid me 25 £ and 3 £ Intrest

16th Benjn Linkfield and Mrs Kennedy helped me reap

17th Mr Macclintock Lectured in the forenoon in Bedford from John 1st from the 43d verse to the end & preached in the afternoon from ye same Chapter and 13th verse

18th Benjn Linkfield helped me reap til ye middle of ye afternoon and had a bushel of rie on the 16th Instant and Mary Kennedy helped me reap also til ye same time of ye day and finished reaping rie and had 20 stooks and 10 sheafes and Drew Four Coppys of Roads for Justice Boyes and Charged 40s/ old Tenor-for the same

19th Benjn Linkfield helped me Cart in my rie and 5 stooks of Barley and flax for his day befores went

20th began to reap my oats and Mow in my Meadow and went in the afternoon to Lieut John Halls to Vendue Capt Bushnells farm in Derryfield

23d Benjn Linkfield & Mary Kennedy helped me reap my Wheat and Oats being six stooks & 7 sheaves of wheat & 9 stooks & 7 sheaves of oats & let Benjn Linkfield have 3£ / old Tenor

25th Benjn Linkfield & Saml Paterson helped me mow in the forenoon

26th Mr. Jonathan Sanders came to make me a pair of Cart Wheels & Benjn Linkfield workt with me today and bargained with him for a week of fair weather for 4 £

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28th Saml Paterson helped me mow and rake hay all day and lent Richard Macalester one pound of powder

30th in the Evening came a Great Frost so as to kill all ye corn leaves and repeated again on the 31st Night

SEPTEMBER FIRST

went to Alexr Macmurphys mill with 2 bushel of Indian corn and 2 of rie but did not get it Ground and pd John Lovewell 20s/ for amount of grinding Samll Barnet

2d Mr Sanders finished makeing my wheels and I pd him 8 pounds for the same and Benjn Linkfield helped me Cart in the last of my hay I had 95 cocks this year in my meadow & Saml Paterson came to make shoes at my house

3d went and got home the grain I carried to mill the First instant and Alexr Macmurphy gave me a bushel of wheat

4th went to New Boston and Lodged at Davises

5th returned hom again

6th went to Hugh Riddels in order to get him to set the Surveyors to work on ye Highways and writ a Desire for the selectmen for the town to Meet to have a conferance about the Meeting house

7th Mr Houston Preached in Bedford From the 5th of the Romans and First verse

8th got a boar pig and a sow from widow Paterson she gifted the sow pig and I bought the Boar and went to the town conferance and drawed a warrant for the selectmen for a town meeting to be held the 22d of this instant and an order to the surveyor to mend highways

9th spent the forenoon in falling on a Method for an accommodation to the town about setting the Meeting house and at last drew a paper to set it at Noah Thayers and signed and sent it to James Little and Hugh Riddel by Robt Walker to go throw among the west side of the Inhabitants

10th workt at highways East of John Bells

11th Spent the forenoon in planning the place of the Meeting house place for the town and lent Robt Davidson one bushel of rie

12th was out of Case run the line between James Walker and Capt Bushnell and James Walker broke a tooth for me off by the Jaw there not being enough of it sound to hold to draw the tooth out

13th was not able to do anything and had very Great simtoms of the Feaver & augue and went to bed at dark and began to sweat and Continued to sweat till next day night without Intermission

15th was somewhat easyer settled with Benjn Linkfield for all he worked for me this year and I owed him 1£ 6-8 & I paid him 1-10-0 old Tenor

16th had Benjn Linkfield Danll Quig & Hugh Rowan helping me to cut stalks and recd by John Bell from Wm Moor one Quart of Linseed oyl one pound of Spanish Brown one ounce of prussian blue which I sent to boston with him for the eleven Instant and Ann Maccollum came to live at our house and I had to Go to Goffes to arbitrate on a case between Wm Stinson of Starks town and John Marsh of Weirs town but for want of a Justice to swear the Evidences adjourned the arbitration till Tuesday the 30th of this Instant to James Osgoods in Campton

17th went to Litchfield and Got 4 gallons of rum from Thos Parker for the town and Two Quarts and a pint for James Little and 1¼ Quart for myself for which rum Richard McAlester sent 4 £ my mother 5 £ and my brother 2 £ and the remainder I laid out myself ye whole came to 12-6-9 and recd an aCcount pr Patrick Taggart that my father in law was laid speachles at portsmouth

18th set out as far as Derry and lodged at my father in laws

19th went to portsmouth and arived there at about 8 or 9 of the clock in the evening where I found my father in law very low but in perfect reason

20th waited all day in town set up with him that night he altered in the evening about eight or nine and grew Constantly Desernably worse till the next day about 12 of the Clock and then Departed this life

21st he Departed about 12 as before about 2 I set out for Lo:derry

22d returned to Portsmouth arived about 10 of the Clock in the evening

23d The Corpses was brought up to LondonDerry by James Dwyer and returned to to Lo:derry in the night set out between 6 and 7 and arived at Londonderry a little before Before day

24th The Corpses was intered in Lon:derry

25th Came home in the evening

26th Went to a town meeting held by adjournment

27th went to Litchfield and got 2 Quarts of rum & 4 £ of shugar

29th James Linn killed a cow for me which Weighed 208 £ of Beaf & 34 hide and settled aCcount with Capt Bushnell and he owed me 6 shillings old Tenor & let John Bell Junr have a side of the beaf weighed 105 and a quarter to Benjn Linkfield and my brother Samll wt 48 and Lent James Linn 9¾ £ and Willm Holms 13 £ of beaf

OCTr FIRST

Run round James Kennedys place and he made 2 Linch pins and welded a strech of Cart Tyer and made out of his Iron 4 Steeples for securing my Cart Boxes.

2d spent the Forenoon on the towns affair Concluding to Defer the Raising and seeing to send Hugh Ridel for rum & Chees.

3d spent the afternoon in going to Starks Mill and from there to Capt Perham and bargained with him for 12 M of boards for 6–10–0 old Tenor pr M to be Delivered at the mouth of Chohass Brook

4th put on my cart Tyer

6th Got James Kennedy to set Two Shoes on my horses hind feet and set out for Tyngs and bought 9–15–2 worth in silver money and returned home that night before break of day

7th lent one Quart of rum to the town which was used by Benjn Smith Benjn Linkfield & John Burns who was employed in bringing 6 M of Boards over the river which the Town bought of Capt Perham

9th went to Alexr Macmurphys mill and Carried one bushel of rie with me and got it ground and 1½ bushell of Wheat that I carried there on the 3d instant and he Gave me 1½ bushells of Indian corn

10th Had john Burns of New Boston helping me all day & John Burns Junr of this town helping me in the forenoon & Robt & James Smith in the afternoon and I went to Litchfield and got one pair of shoes for John Burns of New Boston and Got 14 £ of shugar from Thos Parkers wife and Did not pay it

11th Went to Chester and Carried Ann Maccollum to Saml Aikens and bought two Cheeses from Thos Hasletons wife weighing 18½ £ at 3s 7d pr £ and 30 £ and 11 ounces from Jean Talford at 3s/ per £ and did not pay her for hers (viz Jean Talford)

13th went and helped to Level the Meeting house Cills and let my brother sam[l] have 14¼ £ of Chees and had got 25½ £ of beaf from my brother Sam[l] he sent 3 £ with me to Chester 18 shillings to Jean Talford for him.

14th went to raising our Meeting house we Got up the plates and all the beames but two

15th Got the midwife and woman to my wife early in the morning and went in the afternoon and Finished raiseing the meeting house & Daniel Moor pd me 20s for running Tuffts 3d Division

16th My Wife was Delivered about 8 in the morning of a Son and sold a Cow to Will[m] Macneal of New Boston for 24 £ old Tenor and borrowed 4 £ old Tenor from Rob[t] Gilmoor and paid it to John Smith of New Boston and 20s which he alowed in my hand for Ann Maccullom and half a bushel of salt he had of me Last spring amounted in the whole to 6 £ which answered for his keeping a pair of steers for me from the thirteenth of last Jany till the spring & 3 galon & 1 quart of rum of ye town at 35s pr galon & 7¼ £ of shugar at 6s/5d £

17th Carried home the Midwife which was Deacon Boyes wife and had not money to pay her and got 20¾ £ of butter from Mr Holms

24th had Will[m] Macdugal helping me to Carrie in Corn and stow away huskes in the forenoon & had John Burns helping me in the afternoon & recd on the 23d the beaf that James Linn borrowed of me the 29th of Sep[tr] last

25th Fell a Considerable Snow and paid James Kennedys wife 20s and sent a line to Will[m] Duncans for James Kennedy that I would answer him Money he owed James Duncan

29th Had John Aiken plowing for me

30th fell a Snow about ankle Deep and John Aiken helped me to rid my Barn till in the afternoon and I finished makeing the Town and province rates and Warrants for the Selectmen and Charged 6 £ old Tenor for the same

31st Hunted in the Forenoon and went in the afternoon to a town Meeting and was chose a Committeeman to Clapboarding the meeting house

NOVEMBER

2d Mr Houston lectured in Bedford in the forenoon from the 4th of the song and 5 6 7 & 8 verses and preached in the afternoon from the 119 Psalm and 120 verse

3d Write a letter to Justice Boyes and kept a Coppy for the selectmen

7 & 8th Will[m] Macdugal helped me to Cart Dung

10th John Bell had my Oxen helping him Break up

12th went to Goffestown along with Will[m] McDugal and was out three days

15th Will[m] MacDugal helped me and he came

17th he helped me all that week and I went to Londonderry and borrowed two pair of Writ blanks from Maj[r] Goffe and Lodged at my Mother MacMurphys and in the night about Four of the Clock in the Morning There was an exceeding great Earth Quake reported by those

that observed to be seven Diferant shocks they were all in about an houre or less the first was exceeding hard and of some minuts Continuance the others not much more than the sound except the last which was a hard shock but short but not so hard as the first.

18th went to John Clarks with a writ for him to serve on John aiken of Chester for Thos Smith of new boston which I filled up the night before and settled with Robt Livingstone for sd Smith and recd 22 £ old Tenor for him and took 4 notes of hand and Discounted 46s which sd Smith owed sd Livingston and Copyd a writ and aCcount for sd Clark for Frances Orr and Clark alowed me 20s which went toward the service of Smiths writ

19th Waited till for Robt Macmurphy who was Gon to Portsmouth in order to help examin my father in laws papers and there was a Shock of an Earth Quake a little before Sunset

21st finished examining my Father in laws papers and Dr Thornton took the Caption on account for me on John Blairs estate

22d Got my Deed I had of Ensn MacGregores acknowledged by justice Boyes and returned home and in the evening I suposse about 9 a Clock at night there was a Smart Shock of an Earth Quake almost as hard as the hard shock on the monday night before but of not so long Continuance and Borrowed one bushell of salt from Robt Macmurphy

26th went to Miller moors mill and got four bushel of Indian corn ground and had the toal for pay and went to Litchfield and got 2 lbs of sugar from Thos Parker but did not pay for it

27th Writ a power of Attorney for Thos Smith of new boston and went in the afternoon to the Funeral of Lieut Moors Child

28th borrowed 43½ lbs of beaf of John Maclaughlin

29th Lieut Moor gave me one bushel of Turnips and I mended my Cart that David Burns broke

DECbr 3d

Set out for portsmouth to carrie on a Case for Thos Smith of new Boston

6th Arived home again

13th Lieut Moor Butchered my hoggs and James peterson got Thos Worthly to help me

15th went along with John Goffe to hails town

16th returned home again and Charged him 5 pounds and Got as much Vermillion from Nathll Martain as I am to give him 20s old Tenor

17th Went to Sowhegan West to help to Divide Ensn Walton estate

18th returned home again and Charged 40s and recd the money

20th went along with Alexr MacMurphy to Chester and Signed a Quit Claim Deed to him of a parcel of land which my father in law left me & pd Majr Tolfords wife 4 £–12s for chees 15 shillings she pd for me to hubard and 19s for my brother samll

22d he let me have by the hand of John Caldwell Some Indian Corn and some rie and I spent till friday night Concerning the Rough farm

29th went to merrimac to their vendue of Land and saved no 4 a second

Division for Dan and John Maccurdy and 98 a third Division for John Wentworth Esqr and 36 for Co^{ll} Parker and Gave my note on Demand for the tax and Charges

30th Divided of for John Goffe Esqr to John Seacumb 40 acres of the upper end of Pond farm and in the evening wrot four letters to Portsmouth one to Mr Parker one to Mr Livermore one to Mr Daniel Pierce and one to Mr John Wentworth by James Macnight

31st writ a Deed to J^{as} Machard from Ezekiel Walker and charged 20^{s} old Tenor

Which finished the Affairs of the year 1755

JANUARY FIRST 1756

Writ a deed for John Holms from his father and he Cutt back Loggs while I writ it

2^{d} went to New boston and Bought a mink skin from mr Fasett

3^{d} Bought Thos Smiths butter and Andrew Walkers and to factor Willm Macneals and returned hom again

5th Writ a deed from John Crow to John Boies and went to Merrimac to finish running round rogger macnights lott which I did not Quit finish when I was on it before

6th went to a Training at Lieu^{t} Moors & sold Joseph Thomas 2 rakoon skins for 2–10–0 in silver dollars a 45s

7th rodger macnight cleaned my well and I went along with him and finished his line and he gave me 20^{s} old Tenor and went to Merrimac and paid Phineas Underwood 19–17–8 old Tenor for the tax and charged on no 4 Second Division and no 36 & 98 Third Division

12th went to Londonderry to assist Robt macmurphy and took one bushel of Rie to Alex^{r} Macmurphys mill

13th returned home after having paid Capt Mitchell 7^{s}/4^{d} for trimmings I had of him last winter and paid Robt macmurphy 6 £ old Tenor for a bond to Mr. Parker Lawer and to get a letter of Guardianship for Guardian to John Callwell and he and Alex^{r} Macmurphy was my bondsmen and Robt Macmurphy pd me 5 Dollars for John Maccurdy

14th Got near a bushel of Indian corn from Alex^{r} Macmurphy and recd 4–15–3 old Tenor the last years intrest on a bond which I have on Andrew Bradford by Edward beavins

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13th And I received on the 13th 10 £ old Tenor from Robt Livingstone for Thos Smith

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16th James Kennedy mended one hook of a Chain and made me a new one of my iron and workt on my Coal and pd him 5 £ for Thos Smith

17th run round the lott 13 in ye 9th rang for John Boies and run round the lot no 12 in ye 8th rang for Thos Boies

19th James Kennedy made one new horsehoe and Steeled four shoes at heel and toe and set them and made me a pair of Washers for my Cart all of my Iron and all workt with my Coal

27th went to Londonderry to see the lines of my father in laws rough farm preambulated by John Mitchel

30th returned home from that business and got 2 bushels of rie and 1½ bushel of Indian Corn from Alexr Macmurphy Come to 5-10-0 the rie at 34s pr bushel and the Indian at 28s per bushel and I gave him 8 £ all the prices in old Tenor

31st let Samll Paterson have 10¾ of Tallow at 5s pr pound old Tenor amounting to 53s/9d

FEBry FIRST

Mr Houston Lectured in Bedford in ye forenoon from ye 4 of the song and on the 13 14 15 & 16 verses & preached in the afternoon from the 5 of the song and 2d verse

2d went along with John Little to run round the 16th lott in ye 7th rang and bought a rakoon skin from Willm Barnet for 15s old Tenor to be paid when I sell the same

3d John Little and Robt Mackeen helped me in the afternoon to cut fence Logs at the Little Meadow

4 & 5th Cutt fence Logs as above and had the same two helping me

9 & 10th was at Londonderry on my father in laws affairs on the 10th Benjn Linkfield had my oxen and Cart Carting hay for Widow Chandler.

15th Mr Macclintock Lectured in Bedford on the 7 8 9 10 11 verses of ye first Chapter Ephesians and preached in the afternoon from these words in the 8 verse of the 2 Chapter of the same book (by Grace ye are saved)

17th set out for Boston and had Benjn Linkfield horse with me and Carried butter with me and set it all up but 24 £ which I sold at 4s and left 7 tubs with Mrs Duglass to sell for me

21st returned home again and brought home with me 152 £ of beaf which I gave 1s/2d pr pound

MARCH FOURTH

had Jerret rowans and Benjn Smiths oxen helping me in the afternoon to hall fence logs at the Little Meadow

5th had Rowans oxen all day helping me to Draw fence logs at the same place

7th Mr Houston Lectured in the Forenoon in Bedford on the beginning of the 5th Chapter of the Song and preached in the afternoon from the former part of the 2d verse of the same chapter

12th Archibald Macalester and Robt Holms and John Callwell helped me lay up Log fence at the Little Meadow

14th Mr Houston Lectured in ye forenoon in Bedford in the 5th of the song and the 5 6 7 & 8 verses and preached in the afternoon from the 4th of Matthw and ye 17th verse

15th Had James Paterson Robt Holms and Archibald Macalester helping me lay up Log fence at the little meadow and had Rowans oxen helping me about ½ an hour

17th set out for Boston & recd 40s from samll Barnett

24th Came home again and recd all the price of what butter I left with Mrs Duglass to sell but 5 £ in Dollars which she owes me yet

28th Susanna was taken with the kanker in her throat and I went to Dr Cummings and he sent some things which we applyed according to Direction

29th the Dr came over to see her and she was a little Easer

30th she was worse and I went and preambulated the lines of that Tract of land granted to Alexr Macmurphys heirs by Namaskieg falls

31st was our annual March meeting and I was chose town clerk and surveyor of Timber

APRIL FIRST

Susanna grew worse and the Kanker broke out into her blisters and I got John Bells horse and went to the Dr & Got some Drugs from him and some Salve or oyntment to apply to the Kanker

5th Sold one Quart of Clover seed to Alec Moor for 12s in silver and went out along with James Patterson to show him where to build a house on their farm

6th sent John Callwell to Dr Cummings for some things for Susanna

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED AND BEGAN APRIL 6th A D 1756

went to Miller Moors to run the lines of his farm and Draw writings between him and Samll Callwell but it was so late that I could not do it and recd one Dollar from Robt Mackeen

7th went and run the lins of James moors farm and writ the Writings and recd the remainder of what Robt Mackeen owed me which was 15s/5d in silver which I had expended last June in going to Boston to see to settle his affairs

12th recd two Dollars from Matthw Little on Wm Macdugals account

13th Little went along with Ebenr Stevens to Goffs town to show him no 10 in ye 4th rang on the south side of Piscataquog and bought two rakoon skins from him for 40s old Tenor & recd 5-1-0 old Tenor from Thos Hall and let Alexr Macmurphy have 2 Dollars

21st was our Provincial Fast as also our Town Annual March meeting a number of us the inhabitants attended but our Moderator did not come

23d went to Dunstable and went to Tyngs and got some things and pd what I owed him before being in the whole 3-14-6 old Tenor and paid him 1s/6d over and Got 9 bushel of Indian Corn from Thos Harwood for 20s pr bushel in silver and had Willm Holms mear to help me bring it up and brought one ounce of Onion seed for them which they pd me for before

27th writ 6 Notifications for widow Chandler for the sale of land in Bedford by order of the Judge of Probate of wills

28th went to Litchfield about twelve of the Clock to run round their town an addition from Londonderry in order to find the Center where to build the Meeting house

30th returned home again in the night

MAY FIRST

Spent more than half the day a planing the above said work

2d Mr Mcclintock Preached in Bedford from ye 4 of the Ephesians ye 45 and 6 verses

4th brought one half of what Corn I brought from Dunstable home in meal from Saml Callwells and had the Toal for pay

6th attended a town meeting and revived our Call to Mr Samll Macclin-

tock and was chose to get a tax laid on our land in bedford by the General Court and recd 9 £ old Tenor from Hugh Ridel on aCcount of John smith of New boston and one pound of butter at 6^{s} and 6–14–0 I owed him before amounted to 16 £ all on account of sd Smith

7th went to New Boston to John Macalester to get him to come to Londonderry next Tuesday

8th returned home again

10th went to Litchfield and run for to find that of land which fell by the old brick killn and got a Quart of Rum from Thos Parker and bought 2 shad from John Harvil and one he gave me to send word to J^{n} Maclaughlin and brought 4 for Maclaughlin and Two Mrs Gibson gave

11th went and Vendued Several lots of Land for Widdow Chandler and for Venduing and writing the advertisements she gave me four pounds old Tenor and went to Londonderry

12th came home again and Got 2½ bushel of Potatoes from my mother in law and left 5–5–0 in Robt Macmurphys hand for James Milltimber and bought 185 alewives from James peters and John Kidder for 6^{s} old Tenor

13th Robt Murdach Helped me to mend fence in the forenoon and I went out with him in ye afternoon to see no 14 in the 6th Rang and he gave me 40^{s}/ O:T:

14th went to Londonderry to here some evidences sworn in perpetuom before Col^{n} Blanchard and Jus: Thornton

15th came home again and got one bushel of wheat from Alex^{r} Macmurphys mill and 2 bushell of mishlin I carried there of my own in meal

17th had Jerret Rowan helping me in the afternoon and his two boys all day a planting Potatoes

18th Finished planting potatoes and Sowed our Flaxseed

22^{d} finished planting Corn and beans and went to new boston and Set my traps in the bogg west of Joe Englishes hill

23^{d} returned home again to sermon and heard Mr Houston Lecture in the forenoon on the first verses of the 6th song and preach in the afternoon on the 28 verse of the 3d of the Romans

24th went to new boston to See my traps and found a beavers foot in one of em:

25th went away up to South Branch and set my traps and in cutting wood for camping I cut my Left Foot and the outside on the ancle very bad

26th got a beavers foot in one of my traps and Came home again I had my horse keep at John Macalesters all the time I was in new boston and left my traps set north from Moors and Chistys Settlements on the South Branch

JUNE 14th

Lay by from the 26th of May till this day by reason of my Cutt and this day went over to Londonderry to Dividing the Cattle and household goods in my father in Laws Estate

23^{d} returned home again and Katrine Little keept house while I and my wife was gon to Lo:derry and on the 19th I pd Mr James Ramsey seventeen pounds one shilling old Tenor on account of Willm mcneal of New

boston and ninteen shillings over by reason we could not make Change and on the 20th heard Mr MacGregore preach in the afternoon on ye 3d of John and verse and had our youngest Child baptized (viz James)

28th had John Burns helping me to get me to run the line between his fathers land and Bigsbes and had Silas Barron helping me and went in the afternoon along with his father and to examin the line between him and Eleazer Lyons lot he formerly liv'd on and for my pains had the aforesaid Silas and recd 20/ O. T. from Jos: polard

30th Robt Gilmoor Junr helped me awhile in the forenoon to finish my weeding of Corn and potatoes and went to Chester to Divide two Eighty acre Lott and did it by Justice Emersons Dr Moor Enoch Rowel Ezeby Berry & Samll Ingles and Wm Tolford and I got no 69 Estimated by the aforesaid men 150 £ old Tenor to be paid or alowed in the next Division to them who got the other namely (no 96)

JULY 2d

Returned home again from the aforesaid Business

5th picked up brush in the Little Meadow and got 2¼ bushel of Indian meal from Samll Callwells mill

6th went to Londonderry to settle with the Commissioners for Elias Dickys estate and was Due me 24-16-8 old Tenor

7th came home again and Br Alexr gave me shad fish and some ells and brought 2 bushel of Rie meal I carried the rie there the day before and recd 40s/ from Robt MacClure to ask advice from a Lawer on a bond and recd 20s/ from Alexr Macmurphy to pay for recording a Deed which I recd at the same time

12th Recd 20 £ of the towns money to Carrie on the charge of geting our land taxed and the full of what service I had done about the meeting house frame the sum being 6-1-3 new Tenor and pd my mother 5 £ old Tenor that I borrowed from her Last Septr to get rum to the halling of the meeting house timber and pd my Brother Samll 8s/9d O : T : that I borrowed at the same time

13th Set out for Portsmouth to get our land tax and our propriety revised and had John Bells horse to rid on and Carried 37-7-0 O : T : with me of my own money & 20 £ O : T : of the towns and 11-5-0 O : T : of others to do errands for them amounting in the whole to 68-12-0 O : T : and recd 24 £ from Robt McClure toward the price of a Cow he had which fell to me out of my father in laws estate whose price was to be 30 £ Certain & 20s/ more conditional

17th returned home again

18th John Smith of New Boston came and told me that the Bears had Bit my heifer that was at his house that she would not live

19th went up with him and got Wm Macneal to Butcher her and sold 49¾ £ of ye beaf to John Jewel & and 29¾ to Andrew Walker and 16 to John Blair and 14 £ to Hugh Blair The hide and tallow and tongue I kept to myself the hide weighed 43 £ and returned home again the same evening

21st Had John Quigs mear to set out for Chester and Haverhill but he

sent me word to be Get his mear shod and be home again by tomorrow night which I could not do and so sent the mear home again and pd Sam^{ll} Smith of New Boston 12 £ old Tenor for keeping a pair of three year old stears over the last winter

23^{d} got a Quart of rum from Matth^{w} Little for myself and a gallon for Thos Smith not pd

26th writ a letter to Francis Diman

28th Got a gallon of Rum from Matth^{w} Little at 50^{s}/ and pd him 3-10-0 being 7^{s}/ more then it and the Quart I had on the 23^{d} come to

29th Jerret Rowan had an adze of me that I brought from Portsmouth for him and paid me 3 £ O : T : for it

29th Killed a Buck I wounded the evening before which weighed about 27 lb pr Quarter and went to John Aikens funeral in the afternoon

31st Bought one half Ginne and a Dollar from Robert Gillmut a 4-10-0 pr Dollar amounting to 15 £ of our old Tenor in Lieue of what Silver I had Expended for the town a advertising about their land tax and the over plus to pay toward the advertisement I was ordered to print by the General Assembly The whole of what I have already paid for advertising and a quire of paper for the town for the year 1755 amounts to 5-5-0 being just the half of Ginne

AUGUST 2^{d}

went to Londonderry and recd 20^{s}/ from James Ramsey which I over pd him when I pd him 17 £ on the 19th of June last for William Macnell and got some apples and Rice from James Blair and a vomit from Dr Cummings and some Drops of hartshorn & Lavender and 10 ounce of Bark the Bark not pd for and and 2^{s}/ of the rest I pd him 10^{s}/ which was remaining unpd of what he did last spring for Susanna

5th Attended on a town meeting and was chose to treat with Mr Houston

6th had a gallon of rum from Sam^{ll} Callwell not pd

7th treated with Mr Houston and attended on sd meeting held by adjournment

8th Mr Houston Lectured in the song and Preached in the afternoon from the 4th verse from the 112 Psalm

9th Had Thos Boies Archibald Macalester Jerret Rowan and his wife and Mrs Kennedy helping me reap rie

10th Archibald Macalester helped me to finish reaping rie and Cart it in and had 41 stook and 5 sheaves

11th went to Willm Boies and gave Margret his Daughter a letter for her Brother John and an advertisement to be put in the publick prints and gave her Two Dollars to do it with and to bring me four Quire of Paper and killed a buck weighed 25 £ per Quarter

13th went to David Burnses and straighted the Line between him and Andrew Bixby and pd Sam^{ll} Callwell for a gallon of Rum James Kennedy brought me from him

14th Got a gallon of Rum from John Bell Junr and pd Sam^{ll} Patten 3 £ which Andrew Bixby sent by me to him on account of intrest he owed him

15th Mr Houston preached on the same text he did on the last Sabbath

16th Hugh Mackines helped me to reap my Oats

22d Heard Mr MacGregore preach from the Goalers asking Paul what he should do to be saved with the answer and Carried Esther Rodgers over with me who had been at our house a fortnight who would not Charge and presented her with a three pound bill

24th was our town meeting by adjournment

25th Treated with Mr Houston Concerning His Settling with us and went to see the first ministers fifty acre lott

29th Mr MacGregore preached in bedford for Mr Houston from the 12 of Exodus and the 13 verse

30th was our town meeting in which we voted to give Mr Houston in our old Tenor equal to 40 £ sterlin as the Law shall State Dollars or Sterlin money annually for his yearly Steepend

31st went to Londonderry and treated with Mr Houston and Mr MacGregore appointed to moderate in a call the 15th of Septr at Ten of the Clock & got a bushel and better of wheat from Robert Macmurphy.

SEPTEMBER FIRST

Had Lieut Moor James Little and John Maclaughlin Junr helping me to mow for my going to Londonderry the day before

2d had John Maclaughlin Junr Robt Gillmor Junr helping me rake hay John was for pay and Robt was on account of my going to Lo : Derry and I was at Goffes town along with one Johnson viewing the lot no 45 and he promised to pay me 50s/ O : T : for my pains

3 & 4th was along with the General Court Committee Surveying the land in Controversy between Londonderry proprs and Jonathan Chamberlin

6th Drawed the plan and sent it by Alexr Macmurphy to Daniel Paine Esqr and charged 2-5-0 new Tenor and Carried almost 2 bushel of rie with me to mill a stayed all night and brought 2 bushell I had there before & it home with me

7th Rachel Cowan brought 2 lbs butter and brought 2 lbs more the 31s of Last month made 4 lb in the whole that I had from her mother

11th had John Maclaughlin Junr helping me to rake hay he charged me 20s/ pr day

13th on the night following this day Came a great Frost so as to kill all the corn leaves

14th night repeated frost again harder than the night before

15th Mr Macgregore preached in Bedford from the 6 of Galatians and 16th verse and moderated in a Call for Mr Houston

18th Robt Mordoch helped me to rake and Cart hay for which I was to go into the woods with him to look Land

19th Mr Houston preached from the 26th of Isaiah and 3d

20th The town met and halled part of the boards for the meeting house

21st Brought over a four year old steer from Derryfield which Samll Smith of New boston is to have at the market price Beaf hide and Tallow and got 2 lb of Shugar from Matthw Little

22d went into the woods along with Robt Mordoch for helping me last Saterday

24th went to Hadleys mill to take account of the Quantity of my plank but had no help and Quit it and went to Robt Andersons and brought away a bull which belonged to my Father in Laws Estate

28th Got my plow irons sharpened and an ax upset and an adze taken out of wind and new tempered and a peice of Steal from Kennedy and laid on the Coulter

OCTOBER FIRST

James Kennedy mended the Ear of my plow and I sold a two year old steer and a heifer of the same age to Eleazer Wells for 36 £ old Tenor to be paid the first of next May with intrest at 2s/ per pounds till paid

4th finished the plan of Chamberlins Controversy and Colll Tood came for it and sent it with him to the General Courts Committee and an amount of my charge which was 2–10–0 new Tenor

6th James Kennedy made a new shoe and set two on my horse

7th set out for Haverhill and Lodged at James Duncans

8th got 1½ bushel of Salt and ¼ of a £ of tea for 2–5–9 Silver and Came to my mother in laws and lodged all night

9th Came home again & recd 20 £ from Robt Gilmoor on the towns account

11th Lieut Moor Killed a Cow for me which weighed 304 £ of Beaf & 50 of hide and recd 20 £ O: T: from Matthw Little on towns account

12th Set out for Portsmouth and had John Bells horse and Lodged at Capt Folsoms

16th Arived home again

22d went to Alexr Macmurphys mill and Carried 2 bushell of Indian Corn and 1½ Turkey wheat and got the Indian ground and Left the Turkey wheat and recd 3–10–0 from Hugh Gillis which he owed me and ½ a gallon of molasses from Majr Goffe and pd 20s/ for it

25th Viewed and estimated a lot of land in Goffs town no 12 in second Rang of Capt Moffet of Portsmouth for Ensn Richards

29th James Mathues Thrashed for me

30th went to Londonderry to meeting and heard Mr Macgregore preach from them words without holiness no man shall see the Lord

NOVEMBER

First went the funeral of Willm Rankins wife who departed this life about 11 o'clock of the 29th ult at night & sold a bull to John Davis of Goffs town for 13 £ O: T: to be pd in a year with 3/6 per £ intrest

2d brought a Cow and two Heifers from Londonderry that was John Callwells

3 4 & Fifth attended on an arbitration between Miller Moor and James Mathues at Major Goffes

8th sold a Cow of John Callwells to Neal Taggart for 30 £ and recd 24 £ O: T: and Hugh Blair Came at noon to help me

10th James Mathues Thrashed Oats for me and I sowed the peice between the house and barn with Rie

11th There fell a snow about 3 or 4 inches Deep out of the Northeast

12th Hugh Blair went away after breakfast the whole of what he helped me now was 3½ days

15th Carried 4 bushells of Indian Corn to Alexr Macmurphys mill but did not get it ground and his wife gave Susanna 2 gees which I fetched over with me

16th Mr Daivdson Preached in Bedford from the 16th of Romans and the latter part of the 7th verse and recd 10–10-0 O: T: from Mr Underwood on account of Tax I had pd him for Mr Parkers lott no 36 a Third Division in Sowhegan East Taxed in the Town of Merrymac about 3 or 4 of Clock in the morning there was a shock of an Earth Quake so hard that wakened my wife and I out of sleep

17th recd 3–10–0 O: T: from Thos Hall an 16s/ I owed him of yc house expences which amounted to the whole of what he owed me for arbitraing for him and Joshua Folensbe with what I had before and 2s/ toward my being out a day in Goffs town along with Ebenzr Stevens

18th went to new boston to Set my traps but got nothing and John Maclaughlin helped ye 17th and 18th harrow my rie in

21st came home again and recd 6 £ O: T: from Neal Taggart being the remainder of the price of John Callwells Cow

22d pd John Maccurdy 6–10–0 O: T: which he gave me in a 12 £ bill when he pd me the tax and charge of his lot in Merrymac and pd Robert Walker my province rates being 6–8–0 O: T:

24th got my boots from Francis Barnet who new footed them and Charged me 4 £ old Tenor

25th was the Publick Thanksgiving

26th John Duncan Came for me to make shoes and made a pair for Jonas Susanna & John & my wife

28th went to Londonderry to hear when ye General Court was to sit which was to be the next Tuesday

29th fitted to go to Portsmouth and got John Bells Horse

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM NOVr 29 1756

30th Set out for Portsmouth and went as far as Alexr Macmurphys and there recd an account that the General Court being farther adjourned till Tuesday the 14th of Decbr next

DECEMBER FIRST

Was a training at Ensn Goffes

2d John Maclaughlin went to Alexr Macmurphys mill for me for which I was to give him half a days work and he got 4 bushells of Indian Corn from him & Indented to pay 36s/ for John Maclaughlin to him for ax Laying which he pd for him

3d Let John Jewell have a side of Sole Leather at 5–7–0 and a side of upper Leather at 7 £ and he let me have a green hide at 4–6–0 and took his note of hand for the overplus with intrest at 2/6 pr pound till pd and went to New Boston to Thos Smiths for a Steer I had there

4th returned home with the Steer

5th Mr. Houston Lectured in the forenoon from the 27th verse of ye 5 of Matthw ye 33d and preached in the afternoon on the 10th Chapter of Matthw and 12 verse

6th got my horse shoos set with James Kennedy he steeled two of the shoos at the toe and all four at the heel and writ a deed from Widow Chandler to Matthw Little

7th John Little cut and Halld a load of wood for me and I made him a fore plain

8th writ a deed for widow Chandler from her to Thos Boies

11th Lieut Moor helped me to kill my hogs which weighed 422 £

12th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon from the 33 verse of the 5th of Matthw to 38th verse and preached in the afternoon from the 10th of Matthw and 12

13th Prepared to go to Portsmouth

14th Set out for Portsmouth in order to finish Tax affair

26th returned home again and got the act for a Tax on the land in Bedford to pass the Lower & upper house & Left it in the Governors hands to see if he would attend to it and on the 23d I took the proper Oaths of a Justice of the peace and on the 24th Delivered a Certificat to the Clerk of the peace therein from the secry

29th Bought 62½ £ of butter from James Hunter for 6s 6d pr £ amounted to 20–6–3 O: T: and pd him 6–10–0 in paper bills and a Dollar

30th Got 3 bushel of Indian corn from Thos Kennedy in what he owed me of the remainder of Two Steel traps and there was one bushel of Indian Corn more comeing to me of sd traps

31st Lent James macnight a Dollar

JANUARY FIRST 1757

Was a hail and Rain

3d borrowed 2 bushel of rie from John Maclaughlin Junr and took 2 bushel of Corn that I had of Thos Kennedy and got all ground at Callwells and let James Walker have a Dollar on James Macnights account pr Tocken that he borrowed on me Last week and sent it to Samll Paterson by Isabel Maclaughlin

5th went a hunting

6th hunted in Company with Wm MacDowell Samll Cochran John Little & Thos Maclaughlin and got a Deer apeice

8th Bought 2 hind Quarters of Venison from Samll Richards 44 weight a 1/6 pr £ amounting to 3–6–0 O: T:

11th went a hunting and helped to kill a yearling Buck with Thos Kennedy

12th Killed a Doe Fawn and a Yearling Buck

13th Carried the meat out to the path

15th brough it home

17th attended on an arbitration between Majr Goffe and Capt Bushnell & bushnell gave me Two Dollars which I paid to Goffe and 6/ more of my own on account of Chees

18th writ a Deed from Widow Chandler to Capt Moses Barron and

another from her to Capt Chamberlin and went in the Evening to see her married to Andrew Bradford and she paid me for writing Chamberlins Deed and one to Thos Boies and another to Matthw Little

20th went to Calfs in Chester for a peice of Cloath he had dressing for me he had sent it by James Walker and I paid his mother 1-12-0 O: T: there being 8 yds of Dressed Cloath according to his books and Hugh Blair came to my house that night

24th went to John Burns for Willm Caldwell with two Discharges and Charged him 20s old Tenor not pd and went in the afternoon to arbitrate between Majr Goffe and Capt Bushnell

25th Hugh Blair was after Majr Goffe and 26th gave up our judgement in the Evening attended on the Selectmen and writ and ackowledged a Deed from John Holms to Robert Holms

29th Hugh Blair was after Majr Goffe recd 40 £ from John Thomas on account of Mr Livermores 3d Division

31st Hugh Blair was after Majr Goffe was a thaw and a considerable rain and I Granted three Deer Skins

FEBRUARY FIRST

Robert Mackeen Come and Complained of himself for killing a Deer and paid 5 £ O: T: as a fine

The first five days of this month Hugh Blair Thrashed at Patersons

6th Hugh Blair came to me from Patersons

7th I was taken with a pain in the joyning of my hipps so that I was unable to do any work for several days

10th I went to Litchfield to hear the case Tryed Between Willm Holms wife and Patrick Taggart and recd 10 £ O: T: from Thos Parker on account of my surveying for the town of Litchfield and alowed him to receive the remainder for what I owed him for shugar and a Quart of Rum the sum being 6-10-0 O: T;

11th got 2 bushell of Potatoes from Gawin Riddel and gave him 40s/

12th bought 8 bushel of Indian corn from John Holms and gave him for it 6 £ in mony and 3¾ yd of Checked woolen Cloath for a shirt and my wife made it up

15th went with Patrick Taggart to Willm Holms to help to agree their Differance but could not

16th writ a Deed from Thos Maclaughlin to David macClure and two bonds and took the acknowledgement and recd 1-7-0 O: T: for it

25th Got a Quart of rum from Majr Goffe and pd him 18s/ for it and Borrowed one pound of shugar from him and got 4 bushel of rie ground & let John Callwell have a beaveret Trap and 10 £ in cash

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On the 23d Hugh Blair began to Brake flax for us

MARCH 4th

was a training at James Walkers said to be a want of arms

8th Set out for Portsmouth and Lodged at Robt Clarks and recd from him John Callwells wages being 29-3-11 new Tenor and gave him 6/8 new Tenor for his pains

9th Arived at Portsmouth

18th recd from the province Treasurer on account of my going to Fort dumer in the year 1749 the sum of 22-12-6 and the sum of 18-2-6 for Majr Goffe

19th paid Goffe his at Mr Levits in Exeter all but 12s/6d which I took for my pains of getting the account throw the General Court and arived home

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And on the 18th I took a Deed from Mr Livermore of his right in Bedford and paid him 200 £ and gave him a note of hand for another 100 £ to be paid in six months without Intrest and left 100 £ in money and 200 £ note for Colon Walensford for his right in Bedford with Daniel Peirce Esqr

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22d was a training in Bedford and James Matthues Junr gave me 8 £ Old Tenor for assisting him against Miller Moor and recd 8-7-0 Old Tenor from James Karr on account of John Jewels note of hand I had off sd Jewel & recd 1-5-0 Old Tenor from John Smith of Goffs town to pay for a Deed quitting on land but Did not give me the Deed

23d paid John Little 5 £ that I recd from him before I went to Portsmouth to buy Powder

30th was our annual march meeting and I was Chose town clerk & surveyor of timber and Treasurer

31st attended at Coll Goffes and Swore all Peletiah Rusels men being twelve and 5 of John Parker and 22 of Coll Goffes

APRIL FIRST

Swore 2 men for Coll Goffe and 7 men for John Parker being 48 men in the whole in these two Days

4th was at James Walkers at a Tryal between Patrick Taggart and Mrs. Holms in which Taggart got the case

5th was at James Walkers on John Pattens being apprehended by Margret Holms for his Getting her with child for which he agreed with her for 200 £ old Tenor and he pd Charges

9th got a Quart of Rum from James Walker for which I pd him 18s/ O: T: and got 2 £ of Butter from Matthw Littles wife & Did not pay her and swore William Macclintock to an account against Walter Mcfarlands estate and recd 20s/ O: T: from him and gave him no Change

10th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon from the 7th verse of the 6th Chapter of Matthew and Downward to the verse and preached in the afternoon from the 18th verse of the 5th Chapter of the Romans

11th spent the day in settleing with Mr Houston for what remained due to him for what he had preached in Bedford and found it to be 259 £ 16s/ 6d old Tenor and settled with James Walker for what he had boarded the minister and keept their horses since March first 1756 to this day and 13s/ Old Tenor pr day the sum amounted to 55-5-0 old Tenor the settlement was signed accordingly by each party and lodged in my hand

12th recd from John MacNeal for John Smith of new boston 11-15-0 Old Tenor being the remainder of the price of the Steer I sold him last fall

14th Robt Neasmith swore a ten shilling bill new Tenor on Robt Mordoch and that he recd it for five pounds old Tenor

15th got a Quart of Rum from Coll Goffe and pd him 18s/ for it and There lacked ½ a jill of the Quart and Hugh Blair went to new boston who had helped me 3 days before

17th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon from the 6th Chap of Matthw Gospel and on the latter part of the Lords Prayer and preached in the afternoon from the 18th verse of the 5th Chapter of the Romans

18th Finished makeing 30 Squares of Sashes for Willm Macclintock the size 5 by 7 and let Capt Bushnell have a jill of linseed oyl by Mrs Bradfords order and John Maclaughlin swingled flax for me

19th was Bondsman for Benjn Smith to Peggy Holms for 110 £ old Tenor and John Maclaughlin Swingled flax for me he in the two Days swingled 31 £

21st Got a Quart of Rum from Coll Goffe and Did not pay for it in the afternoon was a town meeting in Bedford

23d recd 3 £ old Tenor from Daniel Macmurphy and 8s/ he was to pay his Brother Alexr for me toward a pair of snow shoes he had from me and sent Alexr Macmurphy his Deed along with him

24th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon from the 6th Chapter of Matthw Gospel from the 16th verse to the 22d and preached in the afternoon from the 5th of the Romans and 19th verse

25th Went to Goffs town proprs meeting and was chose moderator and got a Quart of Rum from Mr Goffe and paid him for a quart I had the Thursday before

26th returned home again

27th John Maclaughlin Junr Swingled flax for me

28th John Maclaughlin Junr had my oxen and I went to Samll Callwells and got 4 bushells of Rie ground

29th John Maclaughlin Junr had my oxen

30th John Maclaughlin Swingled flax for me

MAY FIRST

Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon from the 22d verse and of the 6th Chapter of Math: and preached in the afternoon from the 26 Chap of Math: and 41 verse from these words Watch and pray that ye Enter not into Temptation

2d John Maclaughlin had my oxen and Benjn Smith Brought me 38 £ old Tenor and 2 Dollars in Silver more towards the lot on strabury hill

3d John Maclaughlin Swingled flax for me

4th Set out for Portsmouth on account of getting the lot for Benjn Smith no 3 in the 10th Rang and John Maclaughlin had my oxen

5th Benjn Smith planted Potatoes for me and John Maclaughlin swingled flax for me

6th Was The General Fast in the province

7th John Maclaughlin had my oxen and I returned home again from Portsmouth

8th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon for the 27th verse of the 6th

Chapter of Matth^{w} to the end of the Chapter and preached in the afternoon from the 41 verse of the 26 Chapter of Mat:

9th writ a Deed from Garret Rown to Alex^{r} Orr and one from Alex^{r} Orr to Robt Morrial and took the acknowledgements

13th writ a Deed for James Walker to Sam^{ll} Paterson and took the acknowledgement and a Bond and a note on account Patersons part of pay Come to 15 £ O: T: to be settled by way of accompt

15th Mr Houston Lectured on the first 6 verses of the 7 chapter of Math: and preached in the afternoon from these words Quench not the Spirit

18th Let Deacon Boies have a Bushel of flax at 3 £ old Tenor and Finished makeing 24 Squars of Sashes for John Bell Senior and gave Willm Macdugall a note for 5 £ old Tenor with intrest at 12-10-0 pr Ct per annum which I borrowed to Carrie on the affiar of Getting the tax for Bedford

21st had John and Robt Holms and Willm Macdugal helping me to Lay up the Log fence round my new land

22^{d} Mr MacGregore preached in Bedford from the 3 of Ezk^{ll} and 17th verse

23^{d} went to Alex^{r} Macmurphys mill but got none Ground

24th went to Goffs town propr^{s} meeting and Lodged at Alex^{r} Walkers over night

25th Attended three town meetings two had by adjourment and one by a warrant the first time in Bedford and acknowledged a deed to Deacon Boies and writ a Caption on an oath for Thos Boies Sworn by James Moor Concerning a peice of Gold the acknowledgement nor the oath not pd

30th went to Alex^{r} Macmurphys mill with four bushel of Rie and could not get it ground and carried 2 Bushells of it to Hadleys and got it ground there and Crossed at Halls and got 7 shad at the falls

31st went to new Boston and Set Alex^{r} Walkers trapp for Beaver and Lodged at George Christies

JUNE FIRST

returned home again and got nothing

2^{d} went to Namaskeag falls to fish

3^{d} got 50 shad for my part and took bonds of Zebediah Heath to appear at Blairs on next Thursday at Ten of the Clock in the forenoon on account of passing a Counterfit Bill and Swore Six Evidences for Sam^{ll} Gibson against Willm Holms and my Horse Died the night following and knew not what ailed him

4th went to the falls and got 24 shad

6th went to New Boston and got a Beaver in the trapp I had sett there and Lodged at George Christies

7th Came home again

8th went to Londonderry and had my Brothers mear

9th had Zebediah Heaths appear according to his recognizance but he Departed without Leave settled with R. P. Morrial for Alex^{r} Orr and with Orr for Rowan and got 20^{s} worth of Blanks that was my father in laws and Came by Alex^{r} Macmurphys and Brought home 4 Bushel of Meal

10th went to Amoskeag falls to Catch ell and recd 4 £ from Daniel Macneal on account of my surveying roads for him

11th Got 20 Ells for my Divide and Robt Macmurphy gave me 18 and I got a 19 £ salmon and a shad and 2 Lamper ells from Daniel Macneal on the above account

12th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon from the 7 8 9 10 11 & 12 verses of the 7th Chapter of Matthw and preached in the afternoon from the 5th Chapter of First Thesalonians and 17th verse

15 & 16th was at New Boston with Willm Gibson and Charged him 5 £ O: T:

17th the Commitee for Glassing the meeting house Came and we formed articles of agreement for sashes glass and setting it

19th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon from the Seventh Chapter of Matthew and ye 13 to ye 21st verse & preached in the afternoon from the 6 of Math: and the 33 verse

21st recd 1–16–0 old Tenor from Benjn Linkfield for 24 £ of Beaf he had fall before last

22d was out along with Alexr Maccolum running the Lines of no 4 the Third Division in merrymac & recd 2 £ O: T: and there is 30s/ yet due and got 17 Quarts of Rum from James Gregg a 3–10–0 pr Gallon and Gave him 11 £ O: T: towards it and 26s/ he owed me for the acknowledgement of a Deed and recording it amounted to 12–6–0 Old Tenor and run the line between James moor and Samll MacConoughy and Charged them 20s/ unpd

23d had Benjn Smiths mear at Alexr Macmurphys mill and got 2 bushel of Indian Corn from his wife

27th Got 18 Quarts of Rum more from James Gregg in the whole being 8 Gallons and 3 Quarts amount in all at 3–10–0 per gallon to 30–12–6 old Tenor and now remains due to him 18–6–6 O: T:

JULY 4th

Sold no one in the second rang in Goffs town on the north side of Piscataquog river to James Matthues of Bedford for 275 £ Old Tenor with Intrest at 2/6 per £

6th went along with Willm Campbell to Litchfield to see to setle with Mrs White but she was gon from home

7 was at an examination of evidences between James Matthues Junr of Bedford and James moors wife of Merrymac Concerning Fifteen Yards of Linin Cloath that James matthues had stole from him

10th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon from from the 18th to the 24 verse of the 7 Chapt of Math: and preached in the afternoon from the 33d verse of the 6th Chapt of Math:

11th Set out for Boston & had John Bells horse

14th returned home and pd Phineas Underwood the Tax on Coll Wallingfords Third Division being No 67 Containing 80 acres

17th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon from the 24th verse to the end of the 7th Chapter of Math: and Preached in the afternoon from the 35th verse from the 12th Chapter of Mat:

18th went to a town meeting

20th John Bellbrought 10 £ of Butter to us to be paid in silver

22d went to New Boston along with Mr Jenkins of Boston as far as Deacon Cochranes and had Samll Patersons horse for which Mr Jenkins Gave me a Dollar

26th went to Goffs town to Deacon Karrs and Divided off 50 acres to Willm Karr off the west side of his fathers Lott and writ a Deed and took the acknowledgement and Willm Karr was to go to Willm Stinsons and bring me 4 bushel of Corn to my house for the same and I gave him 8 £ old Tenor to pay for the Corn and had James Kennedys horse.

27th Recd 8 £ from Mrs Gibson 5 £ of which was on account of my going to New Boston with her son William to Look a lot no 121

28th went to James Nochars Barn Raising in the afternoon

29th Willm Karr brought me 3 bushel of Indian Corn from William Stinson and brought back the 8 £ I gave him for to pay for it for they Could not make Change

AUGUST FIRST

went to Adam Wiers and got 21 yds of Duble Diemity for which he charged me 10 £ not pd and had James Wallace Cradleing rie and Ebenzr Hackett binding up for me in the afternoon and sold to said Hackett the Common Land by Joseph Kennedys for 40 Dollars to be pd in 6 months with intrest till pd

2d Went to Samll Callwells to an Examination of Evidences between James Matthues and martha moor which Detained us till next morning and recd 3 £ of change from my Br out of an 8 £ bill which I sent with him to get me a Syth which Coast 5 £ and had James Wallace Cradling rie in the forenoon and had Hugh McInnish takeing up rie and Binding it

4th James Wallace finished Cradleing my Rie and Charged me 45s/ pr Day he was 3 days in all amounting to 6-15-0 old Tenor

5th Gave Ebenzr Hackett a deed of Common land by Joseph Kennedy for 9 £ sterling and took his obligation for the money and Writ a Deposition for Ann Gibson Concerning Robt Giffins wife & Caption thereon

6th Lent John Maclaughlin 5-18-0 old Tenor and Sowed Turnip seed

8th recd 30s/ from Alexr MacColum on account of his Father which he owed me and 10 £ for the tax on Mr Lows land in Bedford to Give to the Collector

11th went along with Archibald Stark to Eliots and gave a Warrant of Apprisement to Daniel MacNeal and William Eliot to apprise three Colts said Stark had pounded for which he gave me 4 £ old Tenor and I recd 4 £ old Tenor from Daniel MacNeal on account of my time about Derryfield highway

12th Bargained away my Land by James Karrs to Robert Matheis for 450 £ old Tenor being 188 acres of it and my Wife was taken with her Travail pains and I went for the midwife in the evening and had Francis Barnets mare

13th My wife was Delivered between one and 2 aClock in the Afternoon of a man Child and I Gave Robt Mathies a deed of the Land I sold him yesterday and took his note for 20 Dollars to be paid on Demand with in-

trest at 2s/ pr £ but promised that if he pd me them in two months I would not take any Intrest and another note for 55 Dollars with the same Intrest to be paid in a year

14th Carried the midwife home again and pd her her charge being 40s/ in the afternoon there was an Eclipse of the Sun being annualar but it was cloudy and so could not be seen

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM AUGUST 14th A D 1757

15th went to Londonderry for Mary Scobey to take care of my wife and had Francis Barnets mare and John Callwell Brought my mother in Law over

16th Let John Caldwell have a Deer skin and four pounds in Cash and took home Francis Barnets mare who would not take anything for what I had her to use

18th began to mow in my meadow

20th went to Derryfield to the Vendue of Three Colts that Archibald Stark had pounded on the 9 & 10th Instant and Taxed the Bill Being for Damages and Charges 26–16–6 and recd 4 £ old Tenor for my Day

21st John Caldwell came and Carried my mother in Law home again

23d went to Alexr Macmurphys mill and had Matthw Littles mare the Rie was carried there June 23d and took 3 bushel of Indian Corn which I had from Willm Stinson

24th had John Bell Junr and Archibald Macalaster helping me mow

25th had John Bell helping me mow

27th had Samll Patersons horse and Carried Mary Scobey home who would not make a charge for her time and I gave her 4 £ old Tenor and came home by Alexr Macmurphys and brought home about 2 or 3 bushel of Indian meal and writ 3 bonds for Thos Maclaughlin to his father and gave Samll Gibson a summons for six evidences to be sworn on Friday the 2d of September at James Walkers Vs Holms

30th had John McAlester and Jos Bell helping me Rake hay and we Cocked it by moonshine for which I gave them Twenty Shillings O : T ;

31st Began to mow in the Little Meadow & Broke the heel of my syth

SEPTEMBER FIRST

Got the heel of my syth mended and Carted 5 load of hay in out of my meadow

2d swore some evidences for Samll Gibson against Willm Holms and Mr Houston came here

4th Mr Houston Lectured in in the forenoon on the first Chapter of John and Preached in the afternoon on the being the first sermon ever preached in our meeting house

5th swore 2 evidences for Samll Gibson against Willm Holms and set out for Portsmouth being summoned by James Mathies and Mr Houston went away

6th arived there and sit in the sessions the afternoon

7th sit in the sessions and was summoned by Samll Gibsons attorney in his Case & Mr Houston came back

8th was summoned by Robt Wallace for his Brother James Concerning Archibald Starks Impounding a Colt of his and he gave me 10/ and attended all day and Mr Houston went away again

9th attended as an evidence

10th arived home

11th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon on the 12 13 & 14 verse of the First Chapter of John and preached in the afternoon from the 4 Chap: of Amos and 12 verse

12th made a Coffin for James Peters Junr who Died of the small Pox and Charged 4 £ old Tenor

13th went to a conferance which was proposed with Mr Houston at the meeting house

14th Brought in the last of my hay out of my meadow

18th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon on the 15 16 17 18 verses of the First Chapt of Saint John and Preached in the afternoon from the 14 and 15 verses of the 3d same chapter of the same book

20th attended on the Selectmen Concerning the tax in the forenoon and attended a town meeting & Lida Roby came to live with us

21st assisted the Selectmen and Drawed the Warrant to the Collector and a Bond from the Collector to the selectmen for his performing the Levying and Collecting and paying the sum of the tax being 459 : 12 : 11 New Tenor according to the Warrant

25th being Sabbath day attended the funeral of Benjamin smiths youngest Child who Died of the feaver and flux

26th went to Tyngs and got several Things and had John Bells horse and got them a Poringer that coast 4/6 Bay Money

27th went in the afternoon and heard Mr Houston Preach his Popalor Sermon from John 5 & 40th verse and got 2 gallon of Rum from James Greg Lacking 1½ Jill and did not pay

28th Mr John Houston was ordained in Bedford Mr True of Hampstead prayed and Mr Parsons preached from the 1 Chapter of First Timothy and 11 verse a Mr MacGregore Gave the Charge and Mr True gave the Right Hand of Fellowship and Mr White Glosester Concluded by Prayer and I paid Adam Weirs son 10 £ old Tenor on account of his Fathers weving a peice of Cloath this summer

29th paid Ann Maccolum 30 £ old Tenor on account of a Note she had of mine the prinsaple being 26–12–0 and the Intrest amounted to the above sum and I recd 50s/ from Ebenzr Johnson on account of my going to View a lot in Goffs town in the year 1756 and took up a Counterfit four pound Bill from said Ann Maccolum

30th Carted home a load of hay from the Little meadow

OCTOBER FIRST

Measured of to Hugh Ridell 598 feet of Pitch pine plank for his Dam and he gave me an account of what Plank he had last faull which he said was 1030 feet being in the whole 1628 feet for which he is to give me Double that measure of Boards for them

2d Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon from the verses of the first

Chapt: of John and preached in the afternoon from the 12th Chapt: of Luke and 32d verse

4th Went and Run round the lot no 71 a home lot for Mr Daniel Sygonie for which he gave me 34s/ in Silver money and spent about one half hour with two New Town men in Converstation and they gave me 5s/7d in silver

5th brought home a Load of hay from the Little Meadow and in the afternoon went to a town meeting held by adjournment

6th Settled with Samuel Patterson and gave him 4 £ old Tenor and owed him 3-14-0 all but a last and he is to make me a pair of Shoes and John which we reckoned in the above sums which was not made when we Counted and went to James Greggs and Had a Jill of Rum and gave him 12s/ old Tenor and had no Change from him

7th sent Mrs Bell a poringer that Coast 4s/6d/ silver by her Daughter Rachel which I got at Tyngs the 26th ult for her

9th Mr Houston preached from the 12 Chap of Luke and 32d verse

10th Lyda Roby went home in the morning all she had been here this summer is 4 weeks and 3 Days

12th settled with Mrs Margaret Bell for what Butter we had from her this Sumer which was 27 £ and settled at 4s/ pr £ Silver money and paid her all and ½ a pestiereen over which she was to give a pound of Butter for The silver I gave her was 2 Dollars and 2 pistereens and one half a piestereen by a poringer of Pewter

13th writ a Supplycation to the Prudential Commitee of Goffs town for a proprs meeting to be held Novbr 8th next

14th Killed one of my Steers and James Linn helped me which weighed 400 of beaf 70 Hide 21 Tallow amounting at 2s/ pr £ to 61-7-6 old Tenor

15th Lent my brother Samuel 18½ £ of Beaf and paid William Caldwell 37-3-11 on a bond which he had from me the year 1751 of 18-10-0 the bond bore Intrest from Octr 4 1752 a 3s/ pr M Intrest on Intrest and he paid me 1-4-0 for my writing 2 Discharges between him and John Burns in Novbr 1756 and going to see them Executed and and got 13 bushell of Potatoes from William Moore a 25s/ pr bushell and agreed to make the sashes for his house and help him set the glass for 4 shillings pr squar

16th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon on the Latter part of the first Chapter of John and preached in the afternoon from the twelfth Chapter of Luke and 32 verse

18th went to the Vendue of Abraham Macneals goods and bought 2 iron wadges a 3 £ and an ax at 32s/

19th got my plough shear Steeled with James Kennedy the steel was mine and Coln Goffe swore me as treasurer for the town for the present year & went to a town meeting in the afternoon

20th I had Thruston Barnet Come to help me on Elezr Wells a 3-10-0 pr week account for me to go and survey for him and Drawed a Complaint for Alexr Orr against James Gregg for a breach of the peace

23d Mr Houston Lectured on the latter end of the First Chapt of John and preached in the afternoon from the 12 Chapter of Luke and 32 verse

24th let Mr Houston have 60 £ old Tenor of the tax money and took his note of hand for it and paid John Bell Junr 126 £ O : T : by an order from

the Selectmen for his Boarding and Shingling the meeting house and he pd me his tax being 1-8-0 N : T :

25th pd Hugh Blair 9 £ Old Tenor and 20s/ by putting a Deed he had from Deacon Cochran on Record for what he helped me last fall and winter

27th I killed my Steer and Lynn helped me he had 62 hide 376 beaf the Tallow I did not weigh and let James Lynn have a hind Quarter which weighed 94 at 2/6 came to 11-15-0 and William Barnet had the other hind Quarter which weighed 96 at 2/6 came to 12 £

28 let John Caldwell have 4 £ old Tenor and went to Lo : Derry to help settle with Alexr Caldwell

29th on the same business

30th heard Mr MacGregore Preach from the 43d Psalm and verse and came home again

NOVEMBER

2d Picked Pine and Jonas got his leg hurt a bringing home the last load and I was with the Mr Houston in the afternoon running lines

4th Paid Daniel Pierce Esqr 54 £ old Tenor on account of Benjn Smith for a Note of 9 Dollars which Note I gave last may for sd Smith toward the price of a 50 acre lot of Land he had from said Peirce being no 3 in the 10 Rang of lotts in Bedford and gave Mr Houston have a Deed from Gauin Riddel to him of 10 acres and a bond from him to Riddel for a Deed for 8 acres and 54 rods which I had writ for them

8th was at a Proprs Meeting in Goffes town and lodged at James Karrs and pd William Stinson 4 £ old Tenor and what I had done for him about his Case and Meshes (?) paid him for the 3 bushel of Corn that I had from him by William Karr last summer

9th Came home again and went to Gauin Riddels and got ½ bushel of Turnips and brought away what boards I left there

10th went to Litchfield to Coln Blanchards Barn raising and had Matthw Littles mare and he workt at the highway for me and I was to ask advice of the Col Concerning Matthw Littles Swap with Benjn White and tarried all night at Gibson

11th came home again and recd 31s/ O : T : a fine from Samll Caldwell for Hugh McDuffee for swearing one Prophane Oath and Did as much writing for Phineas Lund as came to 40s/ O : T : and recd the money

12th pd Samll Paterson 3 £ O : T : being in full of all I owed him for his makeing Shoes for me

13th Mr Houston Preached from the 6 Chaptr of Epesians and 19th verse

14th William Taggerts son John Came to me to work & I was to give him 10s/ pr day and I set up the grave stone to my Fathers Grave and put two stones to Mathw grave

15th John workt at the highway and I went to his Fathers and surveyed his land and Coln Clark was to pay the coast and I charged 50s/ massachusetts money for surveying planing and Squaring the Chainmen and writing the Caption thereon

16th John Taggert went to Alexr Macmurphys mill and he sent me 2

bushell of Indian Meal and a bushell of Rie Ditto and about three fourths of a bushell of Wheat Do

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and on the 15th John Goffe had my oxen

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17th was Thankesgiving

18th Vilot came to our House to work

19th settled with Richard Ayers for what Sole Leather I had from his last year being 36¼ £ towards which I let him have one hide weighing 35 and another 43 and pd him the remainder being 13–19–0 and John workt at the highway and I went to John Davises to agree with him for to Clear some land on no 26 in the 2 Rang and measured 4 acres for to Clear the same I offered him 10 £ pr acre and he took it to Consideration

21st assisted the Selectmen aid Drawing the tax bill

22d went to Baxters and got Some things he brought for me from Boston to the amount of 4–18–0 in Silver

23d sowed my Rie

24th filled a summons for James Mathies Junr for 20 Evidences to be Sworn on Monday next wherein James Moore & his wife are Plant and writ a Notification to the Plant to be present at the Captions takeing

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM NOVEMBER 24 A D 1757

26th fell a snow about three or four inches deep and I hunted but got nothing

26th John Taggart went home the whole of what he was here was 10 days

28 & 29th and the night between them days I was swearing evidences and drawing their Depositions for James Mathies Junr against James Moor and at their agreement

30th let John Bell have 1½ bushel of Rie and am to have Indian Corn for it at the Exchange of 1½ bushel of Indian for 1 bushel of Rie

DECEMBER FIRST

assisted the selectmen in makeing the town and Province rates

6th wrought at the highway to New boston

7th attended the funeral of John Quigs Daughter Elizabeth

11th attended the funeral of Isabel Maclaughlin

14th paid to John Caldwell £31 : 10 : 0 Old Tenor to pay for 2 shirts he had from Esqr Boies and two Dollars he borrowed when he was a soldier and for makeing his Leather Britches and the remainder for pocket expenses being 1–16–0 and recd 35–6–10 old Tenor from Mr Andrew Bradford on the acct of a bond and a Note I had of his

15th my wife went to Lo : derry and had John Maclaughlins Junr mare and I went to Willm MacDools and got Mr Ashpanwalls mare on tryal in order to buy her and killed a buck which Thos Miller and James Aiken had wounded & they gave me half the meat

16th went and accompanyed Mr Houston home with his wife from Mr Underwoods

17th recd a Beavers skin from John Worthley that he owed me for the Loan of 2 trapps and I bought 2 sable skins one Mink one Otter one Fisher skin of him and gave him 18 £ old Tenor for him and James Kennedy set a shoe on Mr Ashpanwalls mare for me and I gave him one half peistereen

18th being Sabbath day was a most Tedious storm of Snow and no persons went to meeting The Wind about N B E and blowed Exceeding hard and Snow Drifted

20th went to Goffes town to a proprs meeting by adjournment and got a pair of Leather britches that Mrs Voce made for me she owed me the one half makeing on acct of a table and the other half he owed me by writings done about David Smiths affairs and his

21st I got 3½ bushel of Indian Corn from John Bell and I got it Ground into Meal at Coln Goffes

22d I bought a mare and saddle from Mr Thos Ashpanwall for 13 Dollars

24th Got 2¾ bushel Rie ground into meal at Goffe and my wife came home from Lo: Derry

25th Mr Houston Preached from the 6 chapt of Ephesians and 19th verse

26th assisted the Selectmen in makeing the town rates

29th recd 2 Dollars and a pistereen from Henry Ferguson being the tax on his land in Bedford for both years the Quantity being 65½ acres and put up a window for John Bell in the fore side of his house and had the Commitee examin my accts for Getting the tax on the land in Bedford and was alowed 222–18–1 old Tenor and recd an order on the Collector for the same and lent John Maclaughlin 34 shillings old Tenor

30th administered four oaths about a Counterfitt 4 £ bill to William Alld and his wife and Benjn Walton and he on Hezekiah Lovejoy and he on Willm Hogg

JANUARY FIRST 1758

Being Sabathday Mr Houston Preached from Ephesians the sixth chap and the 19 verse

2d took up and Counterfitt eight £ bill from Lieut John Moor and he swore it on John Gillmore of London: Derry and bought 10 Dollars from David Macnight and gave him 60 £ old Tenor for them

3d recd from Lieut John Moor his and his son John s Province rates and 1–5–0 old Tenor towards their town rates

4th pd William MacDugal 34 £ old Tenor 3–19–8 being the intrest due on his money to this day and the remainder being 30–0–4 to the Prinsaple and alowed 4 £ in the said 34 which Matthw Little gave him so that the sum he recd in specia from me was 30 £ and recd 2 £ old Tenor from Ebenezr Coston toward 25 / in silver he owed me

5th pd Mr Thos Aspinwall 3 Dollars and offsett Ten Dollars with Major White which he engaged to pay Aspinwall for me and I gave my note to Samll Patten for 60 £ old Tenor which he was to pay as his part of Charges in Goffes town and Changed recets accordingly

6th James Kennedy Drawed a rod for me and welded it to a bitt to Boor for Gun rod places in Stocks

8th Mr. Houston preached from Ephesians 6 & 19

9th James Kennedy shod my mare and made 2 new shoes all my iron except about ½ an old shoe

10th was not well and Daniel Macmurphy went up with his wife to new boston

12th I went to Lo: Derry and settled with Elias Dickey's Execr my average was 6-12-1¾ and what things I bought at Vendue came to 10-12-11 so that I pd him 4 £ old Tenor

13th assisted Robt Macmurphy in examing John Jamesons papers and his uncle Alexrs

14th Came home again and he gave me 2 bushels of Barley

15th Mr Houston preached on Ephesians 6 & 19

16th it began to snow and fell upward of 20 inches deep a very solid snow it fell in less than 24 hours

17th let Samll Cochrane have my mare to Annis Orrs wedding

19th he brought her home again and gave me 3 £ old Tenor for her Journey

20th went to Goffes mill and got 1¾ bushels of rie ground into meal and recd a calfs skin from Capt Barron which he had a tanning for me

22d Mr Houston Lectured on a part of the 3d chapter of Johns Gospel there was but 15 persons at the meeting by reason of the snow which was Deep and poor paths

27th Hugh McInnish Thrashed for me and I was away Veiwing no 12 in the 4th rang in order to Swap my two home lotts (viz no 38 & 40) with Capt Barron for sd no 12

28th got 2½ bushels of rie ground being what Hugh McInnish thrashed the day before and agreed with Capt Barron on the above swap and was to exchange even & William Macdugal cut wood for me

29th Mr Houston Lectured on ye 3d Chaptr of Johns Gospel this day there was but 11 persons at meeting

30th filled up the Deed between Capt Barron and I but did not sign them

31st Samll Paterson came to me to mend shoes

FEBRUARY FIRST

Set out to go to Mr Lunds in Merrymac and went as far as Benjn Smiths and was so much out of Case that I came home again

2d Samll Paterson finished mending shoes and charged me £1-10-0 old Tenor

3d spent the day in Drawing a warrant to the Collector and Recording the tax

4th There was a Violent Wind and the snow Drifted very much

5th Mr Houston Lectured on the last Verses of the Third Chapter of Johns Gospel there was 15 persons at Meeting this day

6th Hugh McInnish Thrashed for me and I recd a Deed from Capt Barron of no 12 in the fourth Rang in Bedford and Coln Goffe came to Capt Barrons and took the acknowledgment and I gave Capt Barron a Deed of nos 39 & 40 home lotts on Merrimack river and acknowledged Deed at the same time

9th John Bell brought me a bushel of Indian Corn with what I had be-

fore made 4½ bushel and lent me 2 bushel of Indian and I went to mill and got 2½ bushels ground into meal

10th went to William Duncans Junr and Got 5½ Quarts of Molasses 1 lb of Chocolate 2 ounces of tea & 2½ dozn of Black horn Bottons & an Almanack

12th Mr Houston Lectured on the fore part of 4th Chapr of Johns Gospel this day we met in meeting house and see the star Venus as soon as meeting was ended

13th let John Bell have 1½ bushels of Rie which with 1½ bushels of Rie he had got before was in Exchange for the 4½ bushel of Indian mentioned on the 9th Instant and see ye aforesaid Star in the afternoon

14th spent the afternoon with the Selectmen in finishing the Land tax assessment and went to Goffs and brought hom a bushel of Indian meal which I had there

15th finished putting the Land tax & warrant on Record and went to the Collector with them and Qualified him

18th writ a Deed of the Lott no 25 a Third Division in Bedford from John Tufts of Frankfort to Daniel Moore of sd Bedford and sent to James Little and got 4 £ of butter

19th Mr Houston Lectured from the 10th to ye 19th verse of the 4 Chaptr of Johns Gospel

22d Borrowed one bushel of Indian Corn from John Bell and got it Ground into Meal

24th my mare Dyed which was taken with the Botes and Staggers the Botes fastened in the entrance of her maw and stopped the Passage and as I was a pouring some molasses and Butter into her she strangled and Dyd and gave Samll Gibson the deposition I took for him to go to September court to go to His and Willm Holms arbitrators

25th Drawed a Coppy of William Barnets & Martha McKinney Deposition for Willm Holms

26th Mr Houston Lectured from the 19th to the 25th verse of the 4 the chaptr Johns Gospel

27th went to William Duncan Junr and got 5½ Quarts of molasses and got one bushel of Rie ground at Goffes mills and was Summoned to appear at Samll Rankins to give Evidence of what I knew in the Case between Willm Holms and Samll Gibson

MARCH FIRST

Went to Lo: Derry to give evidence concerning Mrs Gibson and Mrs Holms

2d Waited all day at Rankins till the arbitrators had sealed up their Judgments and was not Called on and went a Lodged at Mr Aeyers

3d bought 2 shirt Cloaths of Checkquered linin from James Ramsey for John Caldwell and pd 17-10-0 for them at 50s/ pr yd & Came home again and got my steel trap from John Barnets which he brot from Charlestown last fall and got 5½ Quarts of Molasses from Willm Duncan Junr which I pd him 4 £ for

4th borrowed 2 bushel of corn from John Bell & got it Ground into meal

and assisted the Selectmen and Drawed a Warrant for a the March meeting

5th Mr. Houston Lectured from the 25th to the 39th of the 4th Chapter of Johns Gospel

6th Got 1½ bushel of Turnips from Lieut Moore and he would take nothing for them

10th borrowed 3 butter tubs fulls of Indian Corn from Patersons People and got a bushel of Rie ground into Meal

11th got 2½ bushel of the Corn I got from the Patersons ground and had my Brs mare to mill and Mr Harris Junr Came to me to work

12th Mr Houston lectured from the 39th to the end verse of the 4th Chapter of Johns Gospel

13th Vilot went home and I got 7 £ & 10 ounces of Butter from James Little and Robt Macmurphy sent me about Killing Deer by William Holms

15th James Kennedy made me 3 small plain Irons the Steel was mine and the iron was his

16th I bought 5 Red fox skins and a Black Cats skin from Willm Moore of new boston for 15 £ old Tenor and I paid him 7–7–0 and the Rest is Due

17th borrowed 2 bushel of Indian Corn from John Bell

18th Mr Harris finished Turning my great and Straight Body Coat and Charged me 10 £ and received 8 £ old Tenor from John Maclaughlin towards his Rates and at the same time recd a Note of hand from said Maclaughlin of 8 £ old Tenor against John Mash to recover from him and I writ a pair of Indentures for Alexr Walker and Charged him 32s/ old Tenor and he gave me a 30s/ bill with one Character gon to get changed in the Treasury

19th Mr Houston Lectured in the Beginning of the 5 Chap of Johns Gospel

22d borrowed 2½ bushell of Indian Corn from Gavin Riddel and had his mare to go to mill I got 1½ bushel of it ground and a bushel of Rie being the last of my Rie

23d went to William Duncans Junr and got 5½ Quarts of molasses & 3 pounds of shugar a 12s/ pr £ and a pound of Chocolate a 32s/ amounting in whole to 7–13–0 and paid 6–10–0 of it

24th James Lynn helped me to kill my Hoggs and I bought 4 red fox skins from George Christie and gave him 8 £ for them

26th Mr Houston in the 5th Chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon from the 9 and 10th verses of the 9 Psalm

27th went to Mr William Lunds in Merrymac to Settle his Estate

29th returned home again and recd 6 £ old Tenor on ye acct and in the afternoon attended our annual March meeting and was chose Clerk and Treasurer and Surveyor of Timber and Qualified the town officers

31st Had my bros mare and went to John Holms and got 4 bushel of Indian Corn which I pd him for last year and got it Ground into meal

APRIL FIRST

Drawed an acct for Robt Murdogh on the Comt^{ee} of war for the Province of New Hampshire and attested the same

2^{d} Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon on the fifth Chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon on the 9th and 10th verses of the 9th Psalm

3^{d} was our annual meeting by adjournment and attended the same & John Bell Junr brought 5½ Quarts of molasses from Willm Duncan which I am indebted for

4th Sam^{ll} Patterson Soled and heeled taped a pair of shoes for me and I writ indentures of Jos Bell to Francis Barnet for which John Bell was to pay me 20^{s}/ old Tenor

5th had John Bells horse to Litchfield and got 4 bushel of Corn from James Underwood and gave him 3–10–0 Silver money for it and got it ground at Capt Chamberlains for paying for the toll which I am indebted for

10th set out for Newbury and had Willm Barnetts mare

11th bought 3 bushel of salt from James Duncan and paid for it and brought away 2 bushel of it and one I have yet to get and sold Mr Carter 22–3–6 Mass O: T: worth in furs

12th returned home again

13th finished makeing 78 squars of Sashes for Willm Moor & James Kennedy hooped a pott for me with 2 hoops

14th Was the Provincial Fast

15th James Kennedy Hooped a pot for me and Drawed gun stick Bitt rod anew for me and writ a Letter of Recommendation for Mr. James Underwood to the Governor for a Cornorer and got 17 £ of sheeps wool and ½ £ of peper from James Little which he bought from Boston for me for which I sent 5 Dollars 27^{s}/ 6 penies and a pistereen the wooll was 11^{s}/ per £ the peper was 10^{s}/ I recd no Change

17th set out to go to Joynt-grass to Joseph Fletchers to get Corn and Rie that James Underwood had spoke for and had Robt Gillors horse and borrowed 4 Dollars from my mother and 3 from James Underwood.

18th bot 15 bushel of Indian Corn from said Fletcher a 20^{s}/ per bushel and 5 of Rie a 30^{s}/ pr Bushel and pd the money in Silver and Brot home 4 bushel with me

19th was training in Bedford and I Beat for John Parker for soldiers and I writ 2 Deeds one from Thos Gregg to Willm Moor of Londonderry and took the acknowledgement and charged 1–4–0 old Tenor not pd and another from Eben^{r} Hackett to George Addison pd and Drawed a Complaint and Warrant for Alex^{r} Parker of Litchfield against John Moor the 3d of L: Derry unpd and bot a double Pistole from Joseph Cochrane for paper money unpd and Caused John Taggart to be apprehended for Breach of the Peace on James Mathies and appointed him to meet me the next morning at 8 of the Clock

20th spent fore part of the Day in Drawing a Complaint and Warrant and bringing the affair to an agreement

21st Got 12 £ and a half of sheeps wool that Gauin Ridel brot from Boston for me I sent what money pd for it all but 1s/ 2d Mass Old Tenor

23d Mr Houston Lectured in forenoon in 5 Chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon from the 9 & 10th verses of the 9 Psalm and finished on that Text

24th was our March meeting by adjournment and another meeting called this Day

26th was a training

27th was a training and I went to it in the evening and recd a Dollar for my trouble and Complaint and Warrant and writing 2 Depositions Concerning James Mathies Case and J Taggart Willm Moor Danll Moor and Robt Giffins

28th Got 2 bushel of Potatoes from Thos Boies and a 35s/ pr bushel and Gave him 4 £ and got no Change and got almost a bushel from James Little and Did not pay him

On the 25th I recd a side of upper Leather From Richd Ayers which he had tanned for me and Carted 5 hides for him to the River and 2 ox hides and my mares skin for him to Tann for me for pay

30th Mr Houston Lectured on the Latter end of the 5 Chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon from the 16 verse of the 28 Chapter of Isiah

MAY FIRST

pd Willm Moore of New Boston 6 £ being what I owed him for what sale fur I had from him on the 16th of last March and bot a rakoon skin from him and gave him 55s/ for it

2d went to Coln Goffes and Settled the affair of Alexr Parker of Litchfield and John Moor of L : Derry and recd a johanna from sd Moor pd him 10–15–0 O : T : in Change that it come to more than the Charges 4 Dollars and 16/ Old Tenor was coming to Thos Parker for his fees which I recd toward an order which Zekeil Mihill gave me on him

6th paid James Paterson the Indian Corn I borrowed from them on the 10th of March Last and writ Robt Giffins will and sent by him to Boston for a Calf skin and gave him a Dollar to buy it

7th Mr Houston Lectured in the beginning of ye 6th Chapter of John & preached in the afternoon on Isaiah 28 & 15

8th took the Power of Attorney from Ebenzr Hackett and Bot Samll Pattersons half of Otter skin which was between him and me for ½ a Dollars worth of ammunition

9th Had Thos Maclaughlins and John Bells horse to Joseph Flathers and brot away 6 bushell of Indian and 2 bushell of Rie and had it ground at Chamberlins for pay and pd John Bell 4 bushell that I borrowed from him in winter and sent to Tyngs by John Maclaughlin for 1 £ of powder and 2½ of Lead for Samll Paterson for his Otter skin

10th went to Namaskieg falls and watched that night following in company with John Kidder

14th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon in ye 6th Chapter of John and preached in the afternoon from the 16 of the 28 of Isaiah

15th Recd from Robt Mackeen 3 £ old to take the acknowledgment of the Deed he had from Jno Lyons and to put the Deed on Record and to writ his will and he brought me a Calfs skin and a pound of jinger and an ounce of heirspickery that Robt Giffin brot me from Boston for which I have given him 1 Dollar and one English Shilling the Jinger coast 5s/ and the Heirspickery 6s/

22d went to Thos Halls and got a Quart of Rum and writ a Notification for Archd Stark to James Wallace to attend to here some affidavits taken on the 31st instant at Thos Halls and took the acknowledgment of a Deed from Thos Hall to Ebenzr Wells which was lodged wt me to take it att some opportunity and have not recd pay for it my Charges in Thos Halls this spring with the rum got this Day is 45s/ old Tenor

24th had Robt Badger and my Brs mare and plough a furrowing my land

29th had James and Daniel Moor and John Gilmoor and Willm Macdugal and Nathaniel Paterson helping me to plant my Corn

30th had Daniel Moor and Nathaniel Paterson helping me to finish my planting and I went to Namaskieg

31st took 3 Depositions for Archibald Starke and a pint and a jill of Rum and a mug of Cyder at Thos Halls and got 44 £ of Salmon for my part

JUNE 2d

Sent a Quantity of Money by Coln Goffe to Robt Clark to get Exchanged at Portsmouth of Divers persons

7th Shared at the setting place 3 Salmon and part of another

8th Granted a writ to Henry Barton against Josiah French both of Holles to be tryed on Tuesday the 27 of this instant

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On the 2d I went to Litchfield and got 4 bushel of Corn from James Underwood and gave him a johanna and alowed him to buy me corn with the overplus being 6 Dollars and got a hat which John Parker brought from Portsmouth for me and I bought a horse from Widow Russel in Litchfield and a Bridle for 20½ Dollars and I pd her the ½ Dollar and gave her my note of hand for 20 Dollars of Old Tenor equal thereto on or before the 24th of Octr next

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8 & 9th fished at Namaskeag falls and got 120 Shad and I gave Robt Macmurphy 10 of them and I got 4 shad and a small Salmon for my part from the setting place Willm Peters fished for me by ye halves

10th took two Depositions for Archid Starke and bot 1 otter and 2 sable skins from Ebenzr Martin for 3 £ in Dollars and gave him a Dollar which I got from Starke on the 8th instant I sold my saddle this week to John Little for 2½ Dollars and recd 2¼ and filled a Court writ for Willm MacDugal against Benjn Linkfield which answered for 2 days he helped me one last Winter and one in May last

12th Writ a letter for Ard Starke to Mr Livermore Esqr and went a frolicking to Namaskeag with my wife and borrowed from Thos Hall 40s/ and

pd Eben^{r} Martin for otter and sables I bot of him and gave Hall 6 £ old Tenor for the 40^{s}/ borrowed and 4 £ toward my fishing expenses

13th Went to Namaskeag falls and returned home again and returned home the 16th and got with what I had got before made 320 shad

17th writ 4 advertisements for John Taggart for a Colt he impounded

18th Mr Houston Lectured on the 6th Chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon of the 5 6 and 7 verses of the 1st Chapter of 2d peter

19th writ a warrant for apprizement of the Colt John Taggart pounded on the 17th and Drawed a Complaint and warrant for Moses Stiles against Caleb Joans and took a note for the same and recd 113-10-0 old Tenor prinsaple from Robt Mathies and the intrest which was due on 450 £ for 10 months a 2^{s}/ pr £ which was 37-10-0 O : T :

21st Archibald MacColom finished makeing shoes at our house and I pd him his charge being 20 £ and while he was here I got a side of sole Leather from my brother of Richard Ayers leather the weight was 14 £ and I set out for Boston and got the bridle from Capt Moor which I bought along with the horse from Widow Russell

26th Returned home again

27th was a tryal between Henry Barton and Josiah French both of Holles

30th had James Kennedys horse and plough plowing among my corn and Nat^{cl} Paterson helped me all day and Robt Badger and George Cowan helped me in the afternoon

JULY FIRST

Robt Badger helped me all Day and I had John Maclaughlins mare to plow about an acre

2^{d} Mr Houston Lectured in his ordinary place of Lecturing and preached in the afternoon on the 5 6 & 7 verses of the 1 Chapter of the 2d of Saint Peter

3^{d} had Nath^{ll} Paterson help me all day and James Moor and John Gilmoor made a days work for James and Daniel Moor howed one row more than James and I had my brothers mare to plow about an acre

4th pd my br his part of the money that Robt Mathies pd me for Land being the one third and borrowed a Crown peice in Silver and set out to go to Chelmsford for Corn and got 2 bushel of Indian and 2 of Rie from Lieut Benjn Parker a 20^{s}/ for Indian and 30^{s}/ pr bushel for Rie and got 4 bushel of Indian from Josiah Fletcher a ½ a Dollar pr bushel and got 2 of Indian and 2 of Rie Ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and had the Toll and came home in the evening and left the other 4 bushel of Indian at Parkers^{s} in Chelmsford and pd 8 £ to William Eayrs pr order of John Caldwell

10th William Howard brot the 4 bushels of corn to Mrs Underwoods that I left at Parkers^{s} on the 5th instant

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JULY 10th 1758

12th Went to Joseph Fletchers and got 5 bushel of Indian Corn and 3 of Rie being what I bot of him and had Robt Murdochs horse and drawed it up to Mrs Underwoods and brought a bushel of Indian Corn home

13th pd John Bell the bushel of Corn which I brot home the Day before

16th went to New Boston a with a Web to John MacAllester and had Hugh Ridels mare for my wife to Ride on

16th Bot Timber of Andrew Walker of White pine to make 8 M of Boards at 30s/ per M came to 12 £ and pd him the money and bot a thousand of boards from John Blair and another from Thos Willson for 10 £ pr M & pd John Blair 10-10-0 and paid Thos Willson 7 £ and Returned home again

17th I mowed for my Br Samll from about 9 a Clock till night and writ a Deed from James Mathies Junr to John Wallace and Mathies gave me 1-10-0 old Tenor and the acknowledgment Wallace did not pay

18th helped my Bror Samll to mow in the forenoon and went in the afternoon to Mr. Lunds in Merrymac to know what to do Concerning his writings and borrowed a bag from Robt Mordoch and brot 4 bushel of Indian corn from Capt Cumings which James Underwood bot for me

19th Robt Badger plowed for me in the forenoon with my Br mare to about 9 or 10 a Clock and and

20th Robt Badger helped me to Plough with my Br Mare in the forenoon and I and Jonas helped him in the afternoon to rake hay

21st I and Jonas helped helped my Bror in the afternoon to Rake hay

22d I went to Mr Lunds to know what to do with his writings and got Mr Thos Parker and Dn Barnes to go as Evidences and he ordered me to Distroy them and said his estate should Defend me in it and brought home 8 bushel of Grain (viz) 6 of Indian and 2 of Rie from Mrs Murdoch and had Thos Maclaughlins horse

23d Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon in the 7th Chapter of Johns Gospel from the 24th verse and Downward and Preached in ye afternoon from the 7th Chapter of the Acts and the latter end of the 18th verse

24th Destroyed Mr Lunds Deed according to his Desire Before my Br and James Underwood and Robt Badger ploughed for me with my Br mare from about 9 or ten a Clock till toward night and I made up the bill of Coasts for John Taggarts pounding a Colt on the 17th of June and Took the note for the money in my name from Benjn Swallow of Pepperell being 10-1-9 N: T: on demand and sold John Taggart a pair of shoes that was made to little for me and am to have ye market price for them and to be paid out of said Swallows note.

28th Willm Eayers Junr wife Departed this life in a fitt and he sent over a boy to bring us word

29th my wife and I went over to the funeral which was appointed at one of the Clock and I got 2 gallons of Molasses lacking one half a pint from Jas Ramsey which came to £ 5-10-0 O: T: and pd him the money and came home but my wife and child Tarryed

30th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon on the Latter End of the 7th

Chapter of Johns Gospel and Preached in the afternoon from the latter part of the 18 verse of the 11th Chap^{t} of the Acts

AUGUST

2^{d} went and with William Boies and two of the Selectmen viz James Little and Robert Gilmor and Settled with Mr Houston for what time he preached with us before his Ordination from the 11th of April 1757 to the 28th of Septr following and the selectmen from that time to the 25th of March 1758

5th went to Londonderry for my wife and went to Alex^{r} Walkers and pd for some silk I got May before last and came to Lieut Wiears and pd him 22 £ old Tenor for his Mother for Intrest of a sum I owe her and I left 2 letters at Rankins to be conveyd to Daniel Peirce and Thos Wallingford Esqr by the Post and left orders for him to bring an answer and my wife and I Came to Robert Macclures and Tarried all night and Came home on the 6th in the morning

7th pd John Bell all the corn I owed him of what I borrowed of him last winter and pd James Walker ½ a bushell of salt I borrowed of him last Fish Time I think it was in the beginning of June last and Recd a Warrant of Aprizement by Sam^{ll} Starke for to apprize the estate of Archibald Starke decd along with Thos Hall

8th Lent Mr John Houston Two Dollars of Mr Ebenezer Hacketts money which is in my hands

9th had John Bells horse and went to Merrymac and brot away 2 bushels of Indian and 1 of Rie which I had at Mrs Murdochs and 5 and better of Indian I had at Capt Cumings and got 32 £ from Mrs Cumings on acct of Benjn Swallows coast for John Taggart pounding his Colt

10th pd Sam^{ll} Patten his Charge for priseing and pounding and keeping Swallows colt being 3-8-0 Old Tenor and keept Bells horse the night before and went to Capt Chamberlins and brot home the 7 bushel of Indian and one of Rie I brot there yesterday and Reckoned with him for what he had Ground for me this year that I had the toal being 24 bushel and I gave him 4 £ and he gave me 24^{s}/ in Change on account of my doing for him Concerning a Deed from her that was Widow Chandler and paid Mary Orr 54^{s}/ Old Tenor for what she helped us to spinn and there was 21^{s}/ more Due to her on the same Acct

11th I with Thos Hall apprised Archibald Starkes estate and got 19¾ £ of beaf a 4^{s}/ from John Starke and pd him and got a bushel of Salt from Daniel Macneal which Robt Macmurphy brot from Haverhill for me in June last which I bot of James Duncan last spring when I was at Newbury and Haverhill and did not bring it away

12th pd my mother 4 Dollars which I borrowed from her on the 17th of last April and pd her a Pistereen which she sent by me to Buy her a Chamber Pott

13th went to Londonderry to Mr Macgregores meeting house and heard him Preach from the latter part of the 159 verse of the 119 Psalm and Recd an answer to my letter to Daniel Peirce Esqr by the post

14th Archibald MacAllester helped me Reap my rie & Mr Harris came to work for me to make me jackoat and britches of Black Jermin serge

15th my br Samll helped me to mow the meadow lot no 74 in the forenoon and it began to Rain before we had done and pd him 50s/ in Silver which I borrowed off him the 4th of last July

18th I had James Smith helping me to Rake hay in the afternoon and we Raked all the lott no 74 and 3 cocks more being 24 in the whole and Harris left my house and went to Benjn Smiths

19th I had Robt Smith helping me better than ½ the day we put up a stack of 21 Cocks on the Lot no 74

20th About 8 of the Clock in the forenoon I had my horse Gored by a Cow in at the near Flank which proved his death the next day about ten of the Clock in the forenoon and I went to meeting and heard Mr Houston preach in the afternoon from the 4 of the Colossians and 2 verse he Lectured in the forenoon in the 8th Chapter of Johns Gospel

21st my horse died as I sayd before about 10 a Clock and I strained my left foot and was in great pain with it that afternoon and night following

22d lay by by reason of my foot

23d writ a letter to Col Goffe by Capt John Stark

25th Had Jams Smith helping me in the afternoon and about 2 hours in the forenoon

26th had him helping me and William Barnet helped me to mow in the Little Meadow

27th Mr Houston Lectured in his ordinary place (viz) in the 8th of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon from the 4th Chapter of the Collosians and 2d verse

30th had James Smith helping and Daniel Quig in the afternoon to turn and Rake and Stack hay in the Little Meadow we Stacked 36 Cocks and Raked and Cocked 37 and Robt Mathies helped me to role up the Cocks

31st James Smith helped me and Daniel Quig in the afternoon and Benjn Smith about 2 or 3 hours of night and we raked and Cocked 46 cocks and Cocked 44

SEPTEMBER FIRST

finished mowing in the Little Meadow

6th Samll Paterson helped me mow in my meadow at home

8th Robt and James Smith helped me to finish stacking my hay in the little meadow I cut 153 Cocks this years in the that meadow viz in 4 Lotts sd boys Raked and Cocked 18 Cocks on the 7th instant

12th Mr Houston Catechized at the meeting house & my family was included and Mary came to Spinn at our house in the evening after Catechising

14th Finished mowing this morning by the sun an hour and a half high and went to meet the corpses of Peter Cochrane from New Boston for Londonderry

15th went along with Lieut Mors and Jerh Allen to Goffes town and showed them no 7 in the 5th rang on the South side of Piscataquog and no 1 joyning on Whites farm a hundred a forty acre lot and recd a Dollar for my pains

16th attended the funeral of Capt Barrons and got 2 £ of butter from John Bell agreed with him for a tub full the price is to be sixth pence less than it is in Boston at the time he gos to it

17th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon on the beginning of the 9th Chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon from the last verse of the 50th Psalm

18th James Linn Butchered a heifer for me she had 298 £ of Beaf 48 of a hide and 11½ tallow and I Carted in the last of my hay out of my meadow and took the acknowledgment of two Deeds one from Eleazer Wells to orlando Colby pd and another from E Wells to Adam Dickey unpd

21st was appointed by our minister to Chose Elders I was not there but the choice dropt

24th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon in the 9th Chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon on the last verse of the 50th Psalm and appointed those who were chosen as Elders to meet on Monday morning to give in their Objections if they had any against serving and appointed to preach a Sermon on the next thursday to ordain them

25th my bror & I not being notified by the minister we did not go whereon he sent us a letter by Daniel Quig which we answered they were both as Crabid as a Crab tree

27th in the morning he sent us a second which was mild Requesting us to come and treat with him and give him our advice on some important affair either that night or the next morning which we did that afternoon

28th which had been appointed for ordination of the Elders was converted to an election of elders when I was chosen again to that office

OCTOBER FIRST

Mr Houston Lectured in his ordinary place and preached in the afternoon on the last verse of the 50th Psalm

3d was spent in the afternoon with the minister in Conferance respecting my being Chosen as a Elder as also did the Others who were Chose

4th Brot home a tub of butter from John Bell the tub and butter exclusive of the lid weighed 38 £

8th I made a Coffin for John Bell Junrs child which was born the day before and heard Mr Houston preach in the afternoon on the last verse of the 50th Psalm

10th was appointed for those who were chosen for elders to be keept as a Fast but my br and I did not go

11th Spent the afternoon and evening along with Mr Houston

12th was appointed for ordination of the Elders but such Deficualtys appeared that it was deffered and Mr Houston preached the sermon from Jeremiah Chapter and verse

14th got a heifer from James Mathies for 50 £ old Tenor and brot her home

15th was Mr Macgregores sacrement and Mr Houston assisted him

19th was appointed for those chosen elders to give their answer mine was in the positive and had Benjn Smiths mare to William Duncans and

got 4 £ of shugar and settled with him and pd him 8 £ and owed him £6–14–0 Old Tenor yet and pd Faset 28s/ 2d Silver money an apuss (?) Beaver skin which I had from him last fish time

20th my wife had my bros mare went to our uncle Maccurdys and came home again the 21st

22d Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon in the 11th of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon from the last verse of the 50th Psalm

28th Carted 830 Clapboards to the Meeting house and got 5 bushel of Turnips from John Bell for pay and he gave me an ½ bushel

29th Mr Houston Lectured in the forenoon in ye 11th chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon from the 28th verse of the 11th Chapter of 1 Corinthians

30th spent the most part of the day with Mr Houston on a debate between William Holms and Jams Little

31st James Linn Butchered a Cow for me which weighed 300 of beaf and 53 of a hide and 16 of Talow and we Butchered a cow for my br Samll and he was from home at Monson on a jury

NOVEMBER FIRST

I Thrashed 30 Sheaves of Rie which produced 2 bushel and 12 Quarts and got it ground in meal and borrowed a bushel of Indian corn from my Bror and got it made in meal

2d was appointed a Day of Fasting as preparatory for the sacrement

3d & Fourth Carted home the hay which grew on the Lot no 74 in the Little Meadow and Mr Macgregore on the 4th preached from these words the whole has no need of physician but the sick

5th was the first sacrement in Bedford Mr Houston preached the action sermon from the first of Johns Gospel and 29th verse and Mr Macgregore preached in the evening from the 73d Psalm and last verse

6ta he preached on the last mentioned text and George Addison pd me 200 £ with its Intrest for Ebenzr Hackett the Intrest was 8–6–8 5–2–0 of which he pd by geting his Deed put on Recd and time spent about it and the rest in money being 3–4–8 old Tenor

9th I Carted 2 M of Shingles to the River for John Wallace of L:Derry which his team Carryed Directly away and I took the sashes of 22 windows for the meeting house from his team there and Carried them to John Wallaces in Bedford

13th Divided the Lotts no 113 between William Moor and Robt Gilmore of Merrymac and writ the Quit Claim and spent a Considerable time the next day on it and Charged them 6 £ old Tenor and Gilmoor pd me the ½ of it and James Mathies thrashed 2 stooks of Rie for me

14th I Borrowed a bushel of Indian Corn from my Bro Samll and Got it Ground and 2 bushel of Rie and I had his Mare to mill and Willm Moore brought my heifer home from Deacon Williames place and took away his Calves and Tailor Harris son took away the Calf I sold him on or about the 19th or 20th of August haveing keept it three months

On Friday the 10th instant there fell a snow about 2 inches Deep and spent the most of the Day in planing and Casting Deacon Andrew Cochranes home place

This snow was followed by an exceeding cold turn of weather it froze up the River in a great many places said to be the Coldest turn for the time of the year Known in Remembrance

15th the extreamity of the Weather abated

19th Mr Houston Lectured in the last of the 11th Chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon from the 50 Psalm and last verse

21st I borrowed 2 bushell of Indian Corn from Benjn Smith and he sent his son John to mill with it and got it ground and I preambulated the line of the meadow lot no 61 for him and I began to draw stuff to make a bridge over the brook in my Little Meadow and they gave me a bushel of Potatoes

22d went to Deacon Cochranes and got some things which Samuel Cochrane brot from Boston for me the week before 4 £ wool 6 Do Spanish white 2 Do White Lead 1 Do Tea 2 Do Yelow Ockar 2 Do Snuff

23d was the General Thankesgiving & Mr Houston preached from the verse of ye 97 Psalm

24th I went with my oxen and Cart and Gauin Ridel with his oxen and Cart up to Robt Morrils place and we brot away 850 unshaved Clapboards and 125 shaved the unshaved we carried to John Bell Junr and the shaved I carried to the meeting house which with what I took there before made 955 and attended a town meeting and was chose one of a comitee to treat with Thos Hall Concerning Charges Respecting the Road over Piscataquog

26th Mr Houston Lectured on part of the Chapter of Johns Gospel and preached in the afternoon of the last verse of the 50th Psalm

27 Was a violent wind & paid Samll Cochrane for the articles he brot me from Boston being 8-8-9 in Silver

28th went to Litchfield and got the Promis of 20 bushel of Corn from Thos Murdoch and recd a Dollar from Henry Barton of Hollis on acct of a note of 6 £ I had of him and I brot away 4 sheep I had bought of Willm Paterson of Litchfield and pd his wife the money for them being 36 £ old Tenor and they gave Susanna a Cosset lamb

DECEMBER FIFTH

Drawed a Complaint and warrant for Thos Murdough against Simeon and Joseph Cumings

7th went to Thos Murdoughs and thrashed 4 bushel of Indian Corn and had Patersons horse and got 2 of it ground into meal at Chamberlains and had the toal

10th heard Mr Macgregore preach from the 3d of the Romans and 28th verse

11th spent the day in trying to accommodate the Trespass on the Russ farm with James MacGregore but could not accommodate and came home in the Evening and had Robert Macmurphys mare

12th went to Thos Murdoughs and got 4 bushel of Indian corn and got 2 bushel of it ground at Capt Chamberlins and had the toal

13th set out for Portsmouth and had Robt Macmurphys mare and went as far as Exeter

16th Returned to Londonderry

17th heard Mr Macgregore preach from the 3d of the Romans and 28th verse and I came home in the evening and had Robt Macmurphys mare

19th went to Thos Murdoughs and got 4 bushel of Indian Corn and got 2 bushel of it ground at Capt Chamberlins and had the toal

20th assisted the selectmen in makeing the ministers rates and pd John Macalester of new boston 35 £ old Tenor for his weaving a web

21st I made the town and province Rates and Drawed both warrants and recorded them and warrant

22d went to goffes mill and got 2 bushel of Rie ground into meal and Recd £ 15-10-0 from John Wallace for two thousand of shingles he had from me

23d had my bros mare and went to Thos Murdoughs and brot away 8 bushels of Indian Corn which makes up 20 bushel I have had from him and I gave him 2 Dollars toward it

26th pd Moses Wells 44s/ for weaveing 10 yards of striped Cloath

29th went to Capt Cumings and got 5 Quarts and 3 jills of molasses a 24s/ pr gallon in Silver and pd the money

31st heard Mr Houston preach from the Last verse of the 50 Pslam

1759 January First was at James Greggs vendue

3d went to Merrymac to Capt Cumings and Lodged there that night

4th got 4½ bushel of Rie from Timothy and pd him 18 £ old Tenor for it and John Little on the 3d finished shoeing and makeing new Slates for my Slede

5th finished peiceing John Littles Gun stock

7th Mr Houston gave one exercise being a Lecture on the 12th Chapter of Johns Gospel

8th James Linn helped me Kill my hogs which weighed 471 £ and I pd John Davis 6 £ old Tenor towards his Clearing

11th James Kennedy Shood my oxen and Robt Macmurphys mare and writ a Deed from Andrew Walker to Hugh Greg and I bot 10 Dollars from Andrew Walker

13th went to Timothy Taylors and got 4½ bushel of Rie and pd him 18 £ for it and Borrowed 4 bushel of Indian corn from Thos Murdough and got it Ground at Capt Chamberlins and had the Toal

14th heard Mr Houston Lecture on part of the 12th Chapter of Johns Gospel and preach in the afternoon from the last verse of the 50th Psalm

15th writ a note from Patrick Taggart to James Mathies and I settled with Ebenezr Hackett and Cleared him off what I had Recd from George Addison

17th writ a Deed from Samson More to James Aiken of No 9 and 15 in the 7th Rang and went to Timothy Taylors and paid him 3 Dollars for 4½ bushel of Rie and Lodged at Robert Murdoughs the night following

18th got 4 bushel of Indian Corn from Willm Paterson and Left a johanna with his wife and had it ground at Capt Chamberlin and I had the Toal and I got 5 £ of shugar at Thos Parkers and I pd 3 £ for it

20th I went to Litchfield and got 4 bushel of Indian Corn from Willm Paterson and had it ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and had the toal

23d James Kennedy mended my Clevis and shut a Ring which I had

from Deacon James Moor and I went to Deacon Andrew Cochranes to run lines and pd Ensig^{n} John Moor 3 £ old tenor which I owed him on acct of a trap chain

26th was a tedious storm of snow and I got 4½ bushel of rie from Timothy Taylor and got it Ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and I had the toal

28th heard Mr Houston Lecture on the Latter part of the 12th Chapter of Johns Gospel

29th I went to Col Goffes and new Drafted the Inventory of Archibald Starkes Estate and attest to the apprizement of the same and went to Deacon Andrew Cochranes and got 5 bushel of oats and Archibald Maccollum and James Macmurphy came to make shoes at my house

30th The shoemakers went away and what they did now and as Jams Macmurphy did as he went to new Boston came to 6 £ old Tenor and in the Evening I assisted Robt Gillmor and Willm Moore in settling their affair Concerning the Lott no 113

31st writ a Deed from Robt Gillmor to Willm Moor and was yet Due to me from Moor on sd acct was 4–8–0 and from sd Gilmoor was 40^{s}/ and 8/ more for writing a Quit Claim from Hugh Ridels wife

FEBRUARY SECOND

I went to new Boston for Jeans Macmurphy

3^{d} Returned home again and Jean macmurphy with me

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM FEBRUARY 3D 1759

4th Mr Houston preached at John Burns from the 119 Psalm and 165th verses

5th had my Brs oxen and went and brot home a Load of hay from the Little Meadow

6th I went to Merrymac to hear the Case between Thos Murdough and Sim^{n} and Jos Cumings

7th spent it on the same afair and ended at midnight or thereabouts

8th I got 4½ bushel of Indian Corn at William Patersons and got it Ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and I had the Toal

11th Mr Houston preached in the afternoon from the 119 Psalm and the 165 verse

13th went to Col Goffes and swore 4 bills on Margaret Holms and I borrowed 8–12–0 from my br and pd it to James Little being the whole of what I owed him for Butter

14th I borrowed a Glass Bottle full of Linseed Oyl from our Commitee

15th Got 2 Quarts of Rum from Thos Maclaughlin on Credit and I made a window frame for Mr Houston and set the Glass

16th went to Deacon Andrew Cochranes to Run lines and plans but did not Run any and went and got 4 bushel of Oats from Samuel Gibson and Robt Gilmoor pd me 40^{s}/ of what he owed me and there Remains 8^{s}/ due to me

17th spent the day in planing the 800 acres Col Blanchard sold to Sam^{ll} Cochrane with the Divisions said Cochrane made in the same and sent the plan to Lieut Duncans by Mr Houston for Sam^{ll} Cochrane pr Agreement

21st brot home the Last of my Large stack of hay from the Little Meadow and writ a Deed from Willm Moor to George Cunningham and Charged 24s/ for which George is to cut wood for me and got 3 bushel of Potattoes from Willm Moor and I let him have 20 shads out of the barrel

On the 20th I got ½ £ of tea and a paper of ink powder and 3 £ of white Lead instead of 4 £ of Spanish white which from Fergus Kennedy which he brot from Boston for me the week before

22d heard Mr Barrett preach at Col Goffes from these words in the 3d of Johns Gospel ye must be born again

23d Mr Houston got 24 squars of sashes and 2 Window frams and I put them up for him and I charged him 14-8-0 old Tenor and he pd me 2 Dollars which he borrowed of me last summer

24th went to Litchfield and got 8 £ of shugar and 2 Quarts and pint and a half and a little more of Molasses from Thos Parker on Credit and brot away 4½ bushel of rie that I had at Thos Murdoughs which I bought of Timothy Taylor on the 13th of last January and had it ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and I had the Toal

25th heard Mr Houston preach from the 119 Psalm and the 165 verse

26th had George Cunningham Cutting Wood for me and had my Br mare and went to Litchfield and got 9 bushel of Indian Corn from William Paterson and sent a sash of 6 squars by Alexander Maccolum to James Cochrane of new Boston

27th I had my Brs Mare to Litchfield and I got 4½ bushels of Corn from William Paterson and 4½ bushel of rie from James Underwood 1 bushel of it he gave me and the Rest I owe him for

28th brot home a load of hay from the Little meadow and Archibald Macalester took away a load of ye stack I sold him in sd meadow

MARCH FIRST

brot a load of hay from the Little Meadow and went to Thos Halls to the muster of Capt John Starks men

2d brot the last of my hay from the little meadow

3d I drawed a Coppy of Murdoughs and Cumings Case for him

4th Mr Houston preached from the 50th Psalm and last verse and finished from that text

5th writ 3 Letters for the armey on for John Caldwell one for Robt Norris and one for John Tolford and James Maccurdy

7th I got 2 Quarts of Rum from Thos Maclaughlin on Credit and got 6 Quarts of Cyder from Br

10th Carried home Jean Macmurphy to new Boston who had been here 5 weeks and and pd Thos Murdough 41 £ old Tenor

11th Mr Houston preached at John Burnss from the 111 Psalm and 10th Verse

12th got a barrel Cyder from James Little on Credit

13th went to Lo : Derry and Settled with the Commissioners for Reciveing the Claims on Abraham Macneals estate and settled a note of 44-13-0 of Thos Smyths of New Boston and when what was Due on Book was Discounted there Remained to sd Smith 40-9-0

15th fell a pine that Gauin Riddel gave me

16th I helped my bro in the forenoon and John Mcalester helped me in the afternoon and John Bell and my bro Drawed in the tree I had of Gauin which mad 3 16 feet loggs and Recd 18 £ old Tenor from Archibald Macalester for Robt Morial Land tax

18th Mr Houston preached from the first 30 verses of the 61 Chapter of Isiah

19th I fell a white oak on the north side of Gauin Riddels field

20th had John MacAlester to help me saw the tree twice thow and had Gauin Riddels oxen helping to haull the 3 cutts to the mill and in evening I married Moses Canard and Agnes McClintock both of Derryfield and Jenney Cleary came from Lo : Derry to us

21st went to new Boston and Lodged at John Smiths and in my way I got 4 bushel of Potatoes from Samll Cochrane

22d Came home again after veiwing John Carsons settlement for James Caldwell

23d Writ a Certificate for sd Caldwell on the same

25th Mr Houston preached at John Burnses on the 61st Chapter of Isiah and the first 3 verses

26th I spent this day and the 24th in Getting maple sapp and on the 24th I sent Jonas to Deacon Willm Moors and 3 bushels of Potatoes

27th I had my Bros oxen and Gauin Riddels and I hauled to Macalesters mill 4 cutts of slit work stuff and 2 white pine logs and Richard and Archibald Macalester helped me

28th was our annual meeting and was chose town Clerk and first selectman and surveyor of timber

29th I went and Run Round the Lott no 19 in the 11th Rang for Thos Maclaughlin and Run the South side of William Barnetts Lot in the 10th Rang and got a Quart of Rum from John Bell

30th John Bell and I cut two Chestnut trees in partnership

31st John Bell helped me with his oxen and I had my Bros and Gauin Riddels and Richard Macalesters oxen helping me to draw Loggs about ½ of the day & got 2 to the mill

APRIL FIRST

Mr Houston preached from the 61 Chapter of Isiah and the first 3 verses

2d had William Barnet and his oxen helping me and Mr Houston and John Bells and Gauin Riddels oxen I had William Macalester helping me draw Loggs we Drawed 3 and I Recd 130 £ old Tenor from Mr Houston on Robt Mathies acct

4th I got 2 Quarts of Rum from John Bell Junr on Credit

5th went and Layed off 2 acres for Fergus Kennedy out of the Lott no 5 in the 8th Rang and Ran Round the Lot no 17 in the 7th Rang & Charged him 3–4–0 and he pd me three pounds and 4s/ I owed him made the money

7th Brot home almost a barrel of Maple Juce pd Ebenr Stevens 30s/ for his guarding Tristam Barnet

8th Mr Houston preached at the meeting house from the 61 Chapter of Isiah and the first 3 verses

9th I new Drawed my Certificate to James Caldwell for my Veiwing John Carson settlement at new Boston and he gave me 3–8–0 Mass money

10th John Macdugal came to our house to mend shoes and ½ soled one pair of shoes and a pair of Boots and heeled taped one pair for my wife

11th was a Provincial Fast and Mr Houston preached from the 3d & 4th verses of the 20th Chapter of 2d Chronicals and I Recd from Robt Mathies 19 Dollars on acct of his note

12th set out for Boston

16th returned home again

17th I Qualified two of Merrymacs selectmen their town clerk and one syrveyor of highways and Qualified for Bedford two selectmen and 4 surveyors of highway and Qualified to soldiers that enlisted for Bedford with John Moor

18th sold William Gray of new Boston six squars of sashes unpd promised to pay in money and had a Cow Calved

19th Got the cow and Calf home it was a Bull calf

20th When I awaked it was snowing fast and Continued snowing till about the middle of the day and I took Jennet Wallaces Examination of her being with Child to William Thornton which she swore on him and Discounted 30s/ with her father for my service

21st went and Discovered the affiars of him and went to Litchfield and got the 20 £ of shugar and 7 Quarts of molasses from Thos Parker and pd his wife 25 £ old Tenor my bro Samll got 5 £ of the shugar and 2 Quarts of the molasses I recd from him £ 6–5–0 old Tenor and what he had come to 4–10–0 old Tenor and got 3½ bushel of Rie from Capt Chamberlin

22d Mr Houston Preached from the 61 Chapter of Isiah and the first 3 verses

23d was our annual March meeting by adjourument

24th I was with Mr Houston and Gauin Riddel to masure off some land the were Changeing and sent 4–7–6 old Tenor to Sarah Linkfield I owed her 4–4–0

25th I had 2 Quarts of Rum from John Bell Junr

26th I moved 125 apple trees from Clogstones which I bought from Mrs Bradford

27th I recd for Madame Blanchard from James Riddell £ 195–12–0 old Tenor and took a note for 44–8–0 more for a Deed of Land in Derryfield

28th Let Andrew Walker of New Boston have 12 Squars of sashes and glass and all fitted and charged him 18s/ per square amounting to 10–16–0 old Tenor and am to take it out in sawing of boards

29th heard Mr Houston preach at the meeting house from the 61 of Isiah and the first 3 verses

30th Gave Thomas Wallace a Warrant against William Thornton on acct of his Daughter Jannet and Gave Docr Thornton a Coppy of her Exam and had my Mathies heifer Calved

MAY FIRST

I vendued for the Collector several peices of land for the tax in Bedford and I bot 2 peices viz of John Tuckermans a £ 3 per acre and Jonn Hills

land at 52s/ per acre all old Tenor and I pd 31–5–0 O : T : and went to Francis Barnets house Raising

2d I finished sowing my rie

3d I got 1½ bushel of Oats from my bros Samll and ploughed them in and got 20 Quarts of peas from him and plowed in one land of them

4th finished plowing in my peas and took a Recogz of William Thornton on acct of Wallaces Case and Writ a Will and a Power of Attorney for Robt Walker of Lo : Derry for which I charged him 47/ 27 of which he pd me last year and the Remainder he pd me down

5th the above Walker swore a 4 £ bill on Thos Cochrane of New Boston which bill Gauin Riddel Swore on Walker and I Recogz Jennet Wallace to prosecute Willm Thornton at the June session

7th was our annual March meeting adjournment and got 2 quarts and ½ a pint of Rum from John Bell Junr

8th let Thos Wallace have a Coppy of his daughters Jennets case and Thornton charged him 2 £

9th sowed Cabaige seed

10th went to Thos Mordoughs and got ½ bushel of seed corn and got a gallon of molasses from Capt Cumings and pd 1–4–0 in Silver for it and Tarryied all night at Mordoughs

11th came home again

12th let John Bell Junr have 7 fulls of our Quart pot of the seed Corn I had from Thos Mordough on the 10th instant

15th I had 2 Quarts of Rum from John Bell Junr and I pd James Campbell Junr 20s/ I owed him on Moly Mccalley acct and 20s/ I owed his bror Robt Campbell for a paper of pins my wife had from him

16th I Divided a peice of meadow for John Barnet Junr in the Great Meadow above Capt Perham and I Charged him a Dollar

17th I got John Bells oxen and Bated them till the afternoon and I got 2 £ of Butter from old Mrs Bell and I gave Thos Vickery and James Gillmore a Warrant of apprisement for a mare they pounded on the 14th instant to Deacon James Moor and Thos Barns returnable the 21st instant and went to Thos Halls and spent the night following all night in settleing with sd Hall and pd him 59 £ old Tenor of the bill of Coasts he got Taxed against the Selectmen of Bedford in December 1758

18th went up to the falls and got 7 shad 6 of em I catched and one Willm Eliot gave my wife

19th I plowed about a Quarter of an acre with John Bells Junrs oxen

20th I heard Mr Houston preached at the meeting house from the 61st of Isaiah and the first 3 verses

21st I swore the prisers of the mare which Thos Vickery and James Gillmor pounded in Merrymac pound on the 14th instant and taxed the bill of Coasts to the 22d being 4–1–6 N : T : my part unpd

22d I writ a Deed from Willm Gray to Moses Canard and acknowledged the same and gray pd it and got 4 £ of Butter from Mrs Bell and I furrowed my Land for planting

23d began to Plant and had my Bros oxen to Cart Dung

24th in the night my wife had Travail Pains and I went and got Mrs

Boies and a gallon of Rum from John Bell Junr and got home at break of Day

25th my wife was Easyer and Mrs Boies Tarried & I had our black cow Calved in the morning

26th in the evening I went and got 5 Quarts of Rum from John Bell Jun^{rs} wife and got Francis Barnetts wife & got 3 £ of Butter from James Little

27th about ½ Way between Break of Day and Sun Riseing my wife was Delivered of a Daughter

28th went to Merrymac and got 5 Quarts of molasses from Capt Cumings and pd him 30^{s}/ in Silver and Thos Maclaughlin gave me 3 shad and Sam^{ll} McConaughy gave me 3

30th Settled with William Moore and he owes me 2 bushels of Potatoes and 1 bushel of Corn and sent Jonas Cutting to James Walkers and got 5 Quarts of Rum lacking 1½ jill on credit and got Clogstone to sheer my sheep

JUNE FIRST

I went to Namaskeag falls

8th I came home again and I got in all 660 shad 120 I sent to my mother in Law and 120 I sold 35 I gave John Quig I got 2 bushel of salt from Robt Macmurphy and 2 bushel from John Goffe and I got 2 Quarts of Rum from James Walker all which affairs happened between the first and the 8 my whole expenses in the time was 7–5–0 which I pd all off

9th I got 2 Quarts of Rum from James Walker and I settled with Widow Hill and Concerning her Late Husbands land that I bot at Vendue for Tax and I went to Thos Wallaces and acknowledged a Power of Attorney from Jennet to Lieut Wallace unpd

10th Mr Houston preached from the 3d of the song and first Verse in Bedford meeting house

11th was a town meeting by adjournment & I was chose a Commitee man to build a bridge over Piscataquog river and to go to the General Court to try to have our land taxed and Recd 5 £ old Tenor of Tax from William Tirrell for Gideon Tirrell

12th Jas Linn Butchered a Calf for me and I gave out a warrant of apprisement for a mare Colt that William Nutt pounded in Derryfield pound on the 8th instant and Jonas was taken with the measles

13th writ 4 advertisements for the Colt above said

16th I swore the apprizers of the above Colt pounded by William Nutt and taxed the bill to this Day being 5–16–0 and Jonas got up yesterday afternoon out of the measles

17th Mr Houston preached from the 3d of the song and first Verse

19th I went to Namaskeg Falls and Tarried all night at Thos Halls

20th I went up the Setting place and Catched 3 Shad and Came home about noon and I swore Sam^{ll} Cochrane Concerning a Bill received from Robt White of New Boston and I found the East wall of my Cellar fell in the Day before workt at mending it that afternoon and the 2 following Days

22d Lieut Moor came and gelded a year old Boar and 4 pigs and 2 Calves for me

23d I went to Capt Chamberlins mill and carried 3 bushel of Indian corn with me and got 2 bags full of Rie and had the Toall and had Matthw Littles Colt and Mrs Kennedys horse

24th Mr Houston preached from the 3d of the Revealations and 20th verse and he baptised our Child Elizabeth

25th I Borrowed 111-19-0 old Tenor from John Mcdugal and gave a note for the same on Demand with Intrest till paid and went to Litchfield and pd it to Widow Russell and 3-2-6 more and 20s/ I pd her by writing made in all 116-1-6 and there Remained due to her with the Intrest 14 £ old Tenor and I pd James Underwood 14 £ old Tenor for 3½ bushel of Rie I had from him the 27th of February last and I gave my bror Samll 2 Dollars and a third part with 29s/ 6d that James Duncan pd him toward 6⅓ part of a Dollar I Recd from Robt Mathies of his money and sent 54s/ in Silver with him to Boston 1 pair of Wool Cards ¼ £ of Tea and some Ink

27th Spent the day in Drawing warrants to the surveyors of Highway

28th spent this day in makeing the town and Province Rates

29th I went and Divided the Lott no 19 in the 11th Rang between John Maclaughlin and his son Thomas

30th the night before was the greatest frost ever I knew this time of the year and I writ 2 Quit Claim between John Maclauglin and his son of the Lott I Divided between them the day before and took the acknowledgement of the same unpd

JULY FIRST

Mr Houston preached from the 3d of the Revealations and 20th verse

2d Mrs Mary Kennedy had 2 Piggs and Thos Maclaughlin had 1 and James Paterson 1 and the selectmen Treated with Mr Houston to see how many Sabath days he would have to himself which was Concluded he should have 15 Sabaths or more if he found an opportunity to Dispose of em

3 & 4th Cleared in my old Field by my bros

7th Susanna James and Robt was taken Down with the Measles and I had my bros oxen with my own and plowed in my old field

9th I workt at the Bridge over Piscataquog river

10th I had Daniel Quig and his Fathers 4 oxen and William Thompson helping to Plow in my field by my brors

11th I had my brors oxen and I plowed about ½ the forenoon and I gave William Thornton Notification to Jennet Wallace for to come and have some affidavits taken at my brors the next Day a 11 a Clock in the forenoon and went in the afternoon to Lieut Halls to Examine the Claims to Archibald Starks Estate and attended that Business till in the evening

12th I had Daniel Quig & his fathers 4 oxen and William Thompsons oxen helping me to Plow in my field by my brors and I Recd from James Mathies 80 £ old Tenor and 18½ Dollars towards his note being 191 £ old Tenor in the whole

13th I was at the Drawing of Francis Barnets barn

14th I writ a letter to John Quig to John Orr and 2 for my self 1 to Col Goffe and the other to Jas Thomas and I pd my bros Samll 4 Dollars with what Jas Duncan pd him on acct being 1–9–6 Silver money and 6–6–0 I pd himself of like money when he went to Boston last on the 25th of last June Compleated the 3d part of the money I owed him on acct of the 19 Dollars I recd from Robt Mathies on the 11th of last April and 1–1–0 over Masstts money

15th was Sabbath day and I heard Mr Houston preach from the 3d of the Revelations and 20th Verse

16th set out for Portsmouth and Evidence in Jenney Wallaces & Thorntons Case and had James Lyons mare

18th I got a Deed from Col Walensford of his Right in Sowhegan East and I pd him 110–4–0 old Tenor being 100 £ towards the price of the Land and 10–4–0 for the last years Tax and gave him my note of hand for 275 £ to be paid in a year and delivered it into the Regrs the same Day

19th I Came home again

20th took home James Lyons mare in the forenoon

21st I finished plowing my field by my brors and had his oxen helping me

24th I borrowed 11–6–6 from Thos Maclaughlins wife and I pd William Boies 12–19–0 old Tenor on acct of James Kennedy which Cleared off Kennedys place

26th I put a Rake handle into an old head for John Quig and my wife went to her Brors Alexr in a frett

27th I finished makeing a wash tubb for ourselves and writ a Deed and took the acknowledgment from Fergus Kennedy to his son Fergus Charged a Piestreen to be paid in Reaping and made a Rake for John Quig and Carried it to him in the Evening and Mended my own rakes

28th pd Thos Maclaughlin one Dollar and ten shillings in paper money of what I borrowed from his wife on the 24th instant and I pd John Bells wife a Dollar for 9 pounds of Butter I had from her last May and I had one pr of oxen from John Quig and another from Willm Thompson helping to plow in my field before my house and it Came on Rain in the afternoon so that we left off before night sometime

30th I swore Margaret Boies William Macallester Thos Boies and Fergus Kennedy Junr Concerning a peice of Gold Thos Boies answers for 3 oaths being 1–4–0 and Fergus Kennedy Junr for 1 all unpd and Charged old Fergus Kennedy 20s/ for the Coppy of the oaths unpd

31st I had one pair of John Quigs oxen and John Bells oxen helping me plow in the field before the house

AUGUST FIRST

I had my bror Samll oxen with my own ploughing in the field above said

3d I Lent Gauin Riddel ½ a bushel of Rie and let John Maclaughlin have a Rake

4th I had John Quigs young oxen and John Bell Junr helping me plow and I lent ½ a bushel of Rie to old Mrs Bell

5th I was not at meeting but Mr Houston preached in Bedford the 2 foregoing Sabaths he was at Pelham.

6th I had one pair of oxen from John Quig and another from John Bell Junr helping me to Plow in my field before my house

7th the night before I kept the oxen and Plowed one small Land of 12 Rods of Ground in the morning which finished the field before my house and I began to mow in the Lot no 74 in the Little Meadow it was extream hot Day

8th I finished mowing in the Lott above said and Jonas got Thos Maclaughlins horse and Carried 2 bushel of Indian Corn and 2 of Rie to Goffes mill & could not Get it Ground

9th Jonas went to Alexr Macmurphys mill with the grain he carried to Goffes mill the day before and got it ground and had Thos Maclaughlins Horse and I finished mowing all on the upper side of the fence in the Little Meadow and Raked 6 cocks and cocked it

10th Was a Cloudy Day so that I could not take the Hay up in the Little Meadow and I went in ye afternoon to Lieut Halls per James Mccallys Desire and when I Come there was nothing for me to do but to fill up a bond of Administration for him on Samll Stinsons Estate and had our Black Cow take bull the night following by my brors bull

11th I Raked hay in the Little Meadow on the Lott no 74 and on William Campbells I had 18 Cocks on 74 and 4 on Campbells and writ a letter to Daniel Sigonne for the mowing of his meadow lott

12th Mr Houston preached from the 3d of the Revalations and 20th verse in Bedford

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM AUGUST 12 1759

13th our Cherry cow took Bull and I lent James Paterson a bushel of Rie

15 & 16th I mowed and Raked Hay in my Little Meadow

17 & 18th I Reaped my Rie and had Thos Wallaces son Willm helping me we Reaped 17 stooks lacking 2 sheaves

19th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 3d of the Revealations and 20th verse

21st Drawed a Complaint and Warrant for Capt Shephard against Ebenzr Hopkins and Charged £5 he pd me 3 £ 10s

23d Mrs Kennedy Reaped out the last of my Rie I had 22 stooks and 4 sheaves this year

24th I Carted it in and my Flax and Barley and what hay Grew between and the meadow

26th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 3d of the Revealations and the 20th verse

29th John Macdugal came to my house to make a pair of shoes for Jonas and I finished mowing in the Little meadow

30th I finished Rakeing hay in the Little Meadow I had 126 cocks there this year and I had my brors mare and Jonas went to Capt Chamberlins mill and Brot away the Remainder of the Rie that I bot off him last Winter

SEPTEMBER FIRST

John Macdugal finished at my house for this time he made a pair for Jonas and heeled taped a pair for Jenny and I went to Fergus Kennedys & writ and acknowledged a Deed from him to his father and Run a peice of a line between William Kennedys place and Thos Boies all unpd

4th I mowed in my meadow being the first I cut in it

5th I went to Litchfield & Merrymac Surveying roads &c for Messrs Gordon and Parker and recd a Dollar from Gordon and £ 6 from Parker and was to Perfect the Plans against the Sessions

7th I set my pidgeon net and Catched 13

8 Catched 37

9th Mr Houston preached from the 3d Revealations and 20th verse

10th I set out for Portsmouth as an evidence in Jenny Wallaces Case and had James Lyons mare and Thos Wallace sent me £ 6 old Tenor last Thursday to help bear my expences

15th returned home again

16th was our Sacrament in Bedford and Mr Houston preached from the 17th of John and 4th verse and Mr Macgregore preached in the afternoon from the 37th Psalm and verse

17th was a rainy Day and I did not go to meeting

18th I began to shave clapboards at John Bells Junr and shaved 35

19th I shaved 32 more and recd a measuge that Capt Bushnell was dead Requesting the Selectmen to provide and burie him and attended the Funeral of Patrick Taggarts wife and then went and provided a shirt & Sheet and cap from Mam Goffe valowed at 3–16–0 old Tenor and went in the evening with the other selectmen and Capt Barron and my bror Samll and Examined his house and took an acct of the things we appointed the funeral to be the next day at 12 a Clock precisely and spoke to John Bell Junr to make the Coffin and got a Quart of Rum from James Walker for the watchers

20th I attended to bury Capt Bushnell with the rest of the selectmen we got 5 Quarts of Rum more from James Walker and Vendued the Crop on Capt Bushnells place to Capt Barron for £ 18 old Tenor to be paid in 1 month and took an acct of what Cloaths he had at Col Goffes John Bell Junr made the Coffin and we Got Board of Ebenezr Johnson and ½ a hundred of nails of my bror Samll

21st James Wallace and Willm Wallace helped me to mow in my meadow

23d Mr Houston preached in Bedford from ye 3d of the Revelations and 20th verse

24th I Coppyd a bond for Joseph Farmer and swore him Concerning the same and Charged him 30s/ unpd and John Macdugal came in the morning to make shoes at my house

28th Jenny went to New Boston to George Christies

29th I returned Thos Maclaughlin the Change of his money he sent with me to pay his excise and renew his license being 8–17–6 and 4–16–6 being the remainder of 11–6–6 which I borrowed off his wife the 24th of last

July and he his to Lift my note of hand which I gave to Jo^{s} Thomas for his excise being 8-10-8 and I gave a warrant of apprisement for a mare which James Walker which he pound on the 21st Instant and swore the prizers and wrot 3 advertisements and Charged 3 £ and Drawed an acct for Jennet Wallace against William Thornton and writ a letter on acct and Carted in the last of my hay at Home I had 69 cocks in my meadow this year

30th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 3d of the Revelations and the 20th verse

OCTOBER FIRST

being Monday I did no business spent half of the day or more with William Thornton only Carted home a load of wood

2^{d} I took my Clavas to Benjn Smiths and spent the remainder of the Day with Deacon moore Concerning our Difference in the Little meadow

3^{d} I carried my plough irons to James Houston to get them sharpened and got a burning iron mended and I shaved 32 clapboards at John Bells with what I had shaved before made a 100

4th I spent at Drawing 3 of the string peices for Piscataquog bridge and recd from Thos Wallace 10 £ old Tenour being my part of the bill in his Daughter Jennets Case with Thornton and 4^{s}/ over the Comp^{t} he pd before

7th was Sabath day Mr Houston was at Pelham and I recd an acct from Alex^{r} Macmurphy of the Death of his oldest son

8th I had James Patersons horse and my wife and I went to the funeral they buried in Lo : Derry at the old meeting house my wife tarried at her mothers and I came home I was to workt at the highway but the above occasion prevented me

9th I spent almost all the day on an ill natured wrangle between Richard Macalester and Thos Boies they broke of at last without Comeing to any agreement and I recd 2-8-0 from Fergus Kennedy Junr being in full of what he owed me

10th I got my plough irons mended and sharpened with James Houston and he Charged 40^{s}/ old Tenor and I swore Capt Cumings James Walker and my bror Sam^{ll} to valow Thos Daws lands in Bedford and merrymac and went to Lieut John Halls to examin the Claims to Archibald Starks estate and I pd Hall ½ a mug of todey which I had when I was there last

11th I went to the Little meadow along with Thos Dawes heirs

12th My bror in Law Alex^{r} Macmurphy brot my wife home in the evening

13th I had my brors mare to mill with 2 bushels and 10 Quarts of Rie

14th being Sabath day Mr Houston was at Pelham

16th I thrashed 4 stooks & 3 sheaves of Rie and I sent to Lo : Derry by James Aiken for 3 £ of shugar

17th I was at the Drawing the timber for Piscataquog river bridge and James Aiken brot the 3 pounds of shugar from Lo : Derry I sent the money being 42^{s}/ old Tenor

18th I put my oxen and Calves into Deacon Williams place and got

Deacon Smiths mare and sent Jonas to Alex^{r} Macmurphy for his oxen and some Potatoes

19th I got ½ a bushell of Turnips from John Bell Junr and Jonas brot over Alex^{r} Macmurphys oxen for me to put in my rie and about 3 bushel of Potatoes

20th I helped John Quig to set up the Raill fence across his Lott on the west side of the Highway

21st Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 3d of the Revelations and 20th verse and Lectured in the forenoon from the beginning of the first Chapter of the Romans.

22^{d} Daniel Quig helped me with his fathers young oxen to plow in Rie in my field by my brors being the first I sowed this Fall

24th I brot home 8 boards from Richard Macalesters mill that was sawed for Table Leaves

25th I let William Holms have a table leaf

26th Nathaniel Paterson plowed for me with their oxen

27th I settled with James Mathies on his note and alowed 1-10-0 that I had recd of his on acct of his prizing the damage to John Taggart Done by a Colt in June 1758 and 20 £ pd me by a heifer October 14 1758 and there remained due to me 139-16-6 for which I took his note of hand on Demand with Intrest at 12-10-0 pr Cent till pd

28th Mr Houston preached in Merrymac at Samuell Caldwells from the 18 of the Proverbs and 10 verse

29th I finished Sowing Rie in my old Feild by my brors I sowed 5 bushels on it

30th I Cut wood by James Linns and I bot 8 bushel of Potatoes from William Barnet for 25^{s}/ pr bushel and Indonted to pay Matthew Little for William Barnet on acct of the potatoes 7-10-0 and brot them home in the evening and went afterward to James Walkers and spent the whole night with my bror in settling accts between Thos Wallace and William Thornton and arbitrating between Deacon Carr and William Caldwell

31st I got to work in the afternoon from the above affair I Cutt wood and Jonas Carted 3 Load home

NOVEMBER FIRST

I had James Kennedys horse and my wife and I went to David McClearys with a webb and I sent Jonas home with Alex^{r} Macmurphys oxen

4th I heard Mr Houston preach in Bedford from Revelations 3 & 20

5th I went at Thos Boies Desire to View the Road from his land and Richard Macalesters

6th I settled with John Macdugal for what shoes he made and mended for me since he first workt for me and it came to 9-10-0 and I pd him 8 pound of it and I workt with my bror Sam^{ll} a joynting and laying the floor in his Cydar press and I acknowledged the Deed from James Lyons to Cuningham and John Cromby Junr promised to pay for it and this day and the two following Days I joynted the floor of my brors Cydar and a makeing a trough for his pomis on one of these days I borrowed bushel of Corn from my bro Sam^{ll}

9th Capt Blair sent me 2 baggs full of Potatoes and a horse to Carrie them home and I sent Jonas home again with the horse

10th was a thanksgiveing in the Province on acct of the surrender of Quebeck to his Majestys arms

11th Mr Houston preached in Lo : Derry for Mr MacGregore

12th I went to Work at the highway at Strawbury hill and James Ferson came and I went along with him to Goffstown and we sent the hands a Quart of Rum and I bargained with Ferson that if he bot my land I was to pay it and if he did not buy the Land he was to pay it

13th I had John Bells oxen and I brot home 460 clapboards and afterwards I brot home a load of wood and I brot home my oxen from Deacon Williams place

14th James Linn helped me to Kill my oxen Buck weighed 458 £ of Beaf and 76 of a hide & 21 of Tallow and Bright Weighed 436 of Beaf and 67 of hide and 19 of Tallow I sold 228 £ of beaf to James Houston and 119 £ to Robert Gillmor of Merrymac and recd a Dollar toward it and 111 £ to Martha Nimock all at 4s/ 6d pr £ and I went to John Halls to examin the Claims to Archbald Starks estate and Tarried all night

15th I went to Alexr Macmurphys to the buirying of his youngest Child who was born the day before who Lived about ½ an hour after it was born and came home again

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On the 14th I lent John Macdugal a side of sole Leather of 11¼ £ wt lying dry in the Chamber all summer

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17th I had my brors oxen and mare and brot home a load of wood and Jonas harrowed in Rie for him the rest of the day and Drawed a writ and summons for Garret Rowan against Samuel Caldwell unpaid

18th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 3d Verse of the 13th Chapter of first Corinthians

20th I Carried 103 Clapboards to the meeting house

23d I let John Bell Junr have 310 clapboards and 200 before and I went to Thoms Murdoughs and got 3½ bushel of Indian Corn from him and had it ground at Capt Chamberlains and had the toall for pay

25th Mr Houston was in Peterborough

26th was a rainy day except a little in the morning which snowed I went to work at New boston road but the rest of the hands had left off as I got to them

29th I went and Laid out the road by Thos Parkers to the ferry in Litchfield and got 2 bushel of Corn and a bushel of Peas from Thos Murdough

30th I wrot a notification to Samuel Caldwell to Garret Rowan to hear some affidavits taken the next day at John Bells and workt at ye highway

DECEMBER FIRST

In the morning I wrote a notification for Garret Rowan to Samuel Caldwell to come to John Bells at 12 a Clock this day to here some affidavits taken. I spent the day and evening and the affair was agreed and

I indented to keep a pair of oxen which had been in Debate between said partys for a month and was to be paid if they did not earn their keeping

3d I with the selectmen made the ministers Rates

4th I took off at Richard Macalesters mill which his son William sawed 322½ of white oak slit work and brot home my slede from Gauin Riddels and a load of Wood

5th I cutt and Hauled 2 Load of Wood

7th spent the day in settleing with Gauin Riddle on his Constableship for the year and I recd 20s/ from fergus Kennedy and I pd Mrs Bell 13s/ 1757 on acct of Mr Sulivan

8th I went to Thos Murdough and got 1½ bushel of Corn from him and Made a return to the selectmen of Litchfield of the Road I laid out pr order of Court

9th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 13th of Corins and 3d verse

10th I was on the examination of the constables viz Deacon Walker Matthw Little and William Moore and Deacon Walker on his first years treasurership and Mr Sulivan went away to John Littles

11th I spent along with John Caldwell at Thos Maclaughlins

12th I let John Caldwell have 3 Dollars and 2 pistereens 2 of which Dollars I borrowed from Thos Boies and spent this day at Goffes with Caldwell and Col Goffe came home and Jonas went to Thos murdough and got 3½ bushel of Corn and I got 1½ ground at Capt Chamberlins

18th I went to Jas Phersons in LondonDerry and bargained away the Lott no 6 in the 4th Rang on the south side of Piscataquog river to him for a pair of Oxen and 100£ in old Tenor and I tarried at widow Macmurphys

19th I came home and brot the oxen and Jonas came home from Thos Murdoughs who went there the night before and brot 3 bushels of indian corn and had 1½ bushel ground at Chamberlins

21st Jonas went to Thos Murdoughs and got 3 bushel of Indian Corn and left ½ at Capt Chamberlins

23d Mr Houston Lectured only in the 2d Chapter of the Romans

25th I brot the first load of hay from the Little Meadow

26th I went to Thos Murdoughs and I got 3 bushel of Corn and a bushel of barley from him and I got 2 bushel of it Ground at Capt Chamberlins and had the toal

27th Was general Thankesgiveing and I went to Thos Halls and married John Martin and Mehetibel Corlis

28th I returned home again in the evening

29th Jonas went to Thos Murdoughs and I got 2 bushel of Corn and a bushel of Barly and I paid Lydia Murdough 3£ and was to pay Jas Linn 26s/ on his 4£ of it was on Thos Murdoughs acct

JANUARY FIRST 1760

Lydia Murdough brot 1 bushel of Indian corn for me from her bror Thomas and I bot 27 pounds of butter from her at ½ a peistereen pr pound amounting to 6–1–6 Mass money old Tenor

3d I brot home the Last of my Hay from the Little Meadow and Jonas went to Thos Murdoughs and got 3 bushel of Indian Corn and he got 1½ bushel of it Ground at Capt Chamberlins and the bushel he left there on Last Saterday

8th I borrowed 25 Johannas or 45£ Sterling from Capt John Stark and gave him my note for 45£ Sterling to be paid in a year with Interest at 6 pr Cent

9th I sent Thomas Murdough 2 johannas by Jonas and he got 3 bushell of Corn from him & got 1½ bushell of it Ground at Capt Chamberlins and had the Toall

11 & 12th I Drawed 2 white pine loggs to Macalesters mill

13th Mr Houston preached in Litchfield

16th Jonas went to Thos Murdoughs and got 3 bushels of Corn and got 1½ Ground at Capt Chamberlins

17th John Macdugal soled my shoes with his Leather and Thread and I had James Lyons mare and I went to LondonDerry and Lodged at my mother in Laws

18th I pd Robt Macmurphy Mr Mills 200£ and its intrest being 25£ and 3£ over he would not take anything for 3 bushel of salt I had from him and Came home in the evening and got ½ a pound of tea from Robt Macneall and ½ a pound of snuff and an Almanack Coast 16–10–0 & I pd it & 5 Quarts of molasses a Quire of paper and ¼ of a pound of peper from George Duncan coast 6–8–0 & I pd it and our youngest Child was taken with the Canker

19th I Rid James Lyons mare back to Lo: Derry to the Docr and got some things from him and what I owed him before amounted to 3–2–0 and I pd him and I got 5 Quarts of molasses and a Tea pot and Cream pot and Shugar bole from George Duncan coast 9–2–0 and I pd it and Jonas went to Thos Murdoughs and got 3½ bushel of Corn and got 1½ ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and I had the toal and he spoiled Daniel Macmurphys horse

21st I got 2 pounds of shugar from Jas Walker and I pd him 20 £ old Tenour and 3 pound in Writing being the whole of what Rum I had from him and expenses in the house to this day

23d Rowans oxen was taken away and I Charged 3 Dollars for their keeping and a Dollar for what trouble I had in the Case and 4 £ for the writ & summons and recd the money

24th I had my brors Colt and went to Litchfield and Got a bushell of salt from Thos Parker and ½ bushell of beans from Willm Patterson

27th Mr. Houston preached in Bedford from the 32d Chapter of Deuteronomy and 2d verse

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On the 25th I spent the day in examining Matthew Little and Robt Gillmor on their Constableship and Discharged Matthew Little

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28th I went to Samll Barnets and got 2 bushell of Indian Corn on William Patersons acct and Got John Macnights mare to bring it home and got it Ground into meal at Col Goffes and gave an order to Mam Goffe of 3–16–0 old Tenor and another to Jas Walker of 9–0–0 on Capt Barrons on acct of Capt Bushnells funeral

29th I spent the afternoon and evening with Mr Alexr Macnutt at John Bell Junrs Concerning his Township and monis and James Houston single shod my oxen he found the nails and came to my house and shod them and Charged me 1-10-0 old Tenor and I bot a mare from John Macnight for 12 Dollars and I pd him 10 of them and he is to trust me the other two till next Derryfield fair

FEBERUARY 1st

James Houston set the shoes on my mare the Coles the shoes and the iron for the nails was mine and he welded a hing and Charged 20s/ O : T : and I got the remainder of the Cotton that Widow Nimock spun for us what Wool and Cotton she spun for us was 3 spinle and 4 Cutts the price for spinning to be settled afterwards

2d I writ a Deed from James Mathies Junr to John Burns and Daniel Moore of his home place and a home lott on Merrymack River viz no 47 and went to Samll Barnets and got 4 bushel of indian Corn and left 2 bushel of it at Col Goffes to be Ground on Monday

3d Mr Houston was at New Boston and preached

4th I got the 2 bushell of Corn Into meal that I left at Col Goffes on Saterday & Archibald Maccollum and his bror came to my house to make shoes

5th Lydia Murdough brot us 10 £ of Butter and I pd her for it & 27 £ she brot us on the first of January amounting at ½ a pistereen pr £ to 8-6-6 Mass money and I bot a pudding pann from her at ½ a pistereen and Discounted 6s/ old Tenor with her which I had pd James Linn for her and I borrowed from John Quig out soles for a pair of shoes for myself and out soles for a pair for Jonas and sold stuff and heells for a pair of Pumps for myself and Quig and I went to Holms in the evening and Drawed a warrant for a town meeting to be held on the 19th instant at one of the Clock in the afternoon Concerning the fishing in Merrimack river

6th James Linn helped me to Kill my hoggs

7th Archibald Maccollum finished makeing shoes at my house he made a pair of shoes for me and a pr for Jonas and a pair of pumps for me of a Calve skin that James Ayers tanned for me and Thos Maclaughlin brot over and I got it from him on Tuesday last what he did for me now came to 6 £ and I pd him it and 8 £ I owed him and James Macmurphy since last year for makeing shoes and I pd James Little a Dollar of Cydar I had from him Last Winter and 40s/ for 3 £ of Butter I had from on the 25 or 26th of last May

8th David MacCleary brot home 20 yds of Diaper and Charged 8s/ pr yard for weaving and I pd him the money for it

10th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 32d Chapter of Deuteronomy and the 2d verse

11th I went to Litchfield and bot 4 bushel of oats from Widow Parker and I gave her a Dollar towards them and I got 4 bushell of Indian Corn from Samll Barnett being the Remainder of the 10 bushell I was to have from him on William Patersons acct and got it Ground into meal at Col Goffes

12th I was at the Examination of Francis Barnet and Hugh Riddel as Constable and Discharged Hugh Riddel and settled with Robt Walker for two years Treasurership and Discharged him for his 3 years Treasurership having examined him for 1 years Treasurership before

13th I went to Lieut Halls to Examin the Claims on Archibald Starks estate and went to Lo: Derry to my mother in laws and I pd Capt Perham 4-10-0 that I had from him to get a bond of guardianship for his son

14th I got ½ a pound of Tea from Robt MacNeill at 4-10-0 and I got 15 Quarts of molasses from George Duncans wife at 4-14-0 I pd all the money for each of them and came home in the evening

16th I took a web of Checked Cotton and wool to Mrs Guile

17th Mr Houston preached from First Peter 5 verse of ye first chapter

18th I went to John Burns and Run the Dividing line between him & Daniel Moore of Mathies place and writ Quit Claim between them and took the acknowledgement and Charged a Dollar Burns pd Moore did not

19th I pd Timothy Barron Junr the remainder of the horse price I purchased of Widow Russel being 14 £ prinsaple and its intrest for 8 months being 18s/ 8d

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM FEBRUARY 19 1760

20th I went to New Boston and Lodged at Deacon Cochranes

21st I surveyed 20 acres of land for John Smith which he bot off the Propriety Joyning on the south of his place

22d I writ a Notification to Andrew Walker to hear some affidavits on next Monday at Deacon Thos Cochranes

23d I got 2 £ of shugar from Jas Walker

24th Mr Houston Preached in Merrymac at Samll Caldwells from the first of peter & 4th verse

25th I went to New Boston and swore 4 evidences against Andrew Walker in his Case against New Boston commitee and Came home in the evening

26th I recd 87 £ of Butter from John Blair of New Boston I bot it on the 21st inst a 24 £ Mass money it came to 17-8-0 Mass old Tenor and I pd him 2 Dollars of the price of it and I Drawed articles of Vendue for Mary and Elizabeth Riddel of their place

MARCH 2d

Mr Houston preached in First Peter first Chap and 4th Verse

3d was a Catehcizing at the Meeting house and I and my wife and John was Catehcized and waited on Capt Shepard and swore the Comrs on Benone Furbusher estate and he pd me 1-10-0 & 1-10-0 he owed me on acct of a warrant against Caleb Joans

4th I went to Lo: Derry and Vendued Mary and Elizabeth Riddels place in Bedford and I tarryed at my mother in Laws

5th I attended on a meeting of Mr Macnutts Signers and was Chose Clerk and one of their Commitees to go to Hallifax to Got the grant and Survey the Land & my wife got 22 yds of Checked that Guiles wife wove for us

6th I spent ½ of the day in Consulting & Drawing orders I Disbursted a johanna towards carrying the affair and I returned home in the evening and 5 Quarts of Molasses from Robt Macneal and ½ pound of snuff and I pd him 4 £ toward it the remainder is due which is 1-16-6 old Tenor

7th I spent in settleing with Gauin Riddel on his Constableship for the year 1757 this evening till four a Clock in the morning a writing for Mr MacNutt and Votes of the Society meeting held on the 5th

8th spent the day untill ¾ past 11 at night Drawing the schudle of names for him I entered besid myself and sons 94 names

9th Mr Houston was at Peterburgh

10th I had John and James Moor in the afternoon Cutting wood for me & I went to Litchfield and got 4½ bushell of Rie from James Underwood and I gave him 16 Dollars in Gold in two Johannas

11th I writ 5 advertisements for John Goffe for the sale of 5 Lotts of his in Goffes town and I got 4 bushell of the Rie I brot from Litchfield the day before ground into meal at the Colonels mill and John & James Moore Cutt Wood for me all day

12th I went and measured Mary and Elizabeth Riddels Land and Drawed a Deed from them to John Moore Junr and I recd 12 £ from them for my going over to LondonDerry and Venduing Drawing the articles of sale and the Deeds and Hugh Macinnish brot home my cowes that was at Deacon Williames place and Hugh Blair began to break flax for me

16th Mr Houston preached from the 12th of Hebrews and 14th verse

17th I Drawed 2 Deeds one from John Dickey to Col Atkinson and another from Col Atkinson to John Dickey and I took the acknowledgment of Dickeys Deed to Atkinson and I charged him 3 £ unpd

18th I set out for Boston

19th In the night following about 2 of the Clock there was a fire brok out at the Brazen head in Mrs Jacksons that Raged to a great Degree and was the Greatest fire ever known in Boston I supposs it Demolised 5 or 6 acres

24th I returned home again

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On the 14th I prepared the acct of the Constables and Robt Walkers Treasurership to be Read at the march meeting

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25th I spent the day in settleing with Mr Houston for his Last years preaching in Bedford being 40 Sabaths days the sum was £ 800 and Gave him an order for the same on the Treasurer

26th In the morning I settled with John Davis on a note of hand of £ 13 Contracted the first of November 1756 to this Day at 2 /6 Intrest and it came to £ 19-16-11 old Tenour and he pd me the money the note was Given for yearlin Steer of John Caldwells which came to him out of his Grandfathers Estate and I went to the annual March meeting and I was Chosen Town Clerk and Surveyor of Timber & I sent Mary Burns 18-15-0 by her bro John what I owed her was 8-17-0

27th I settled with Robt Mathies on his note and he pd me £ 111-2-0 old Tenour and gave me a note for the Remainder of what he owed me being £ 121-18-4 old Tenour to be paid in a year with Instrest at 2s/ 6d pr pound

my brors part of what he pd me was £ 37-0-8 and I pd him £ 48 in a johanna being 10-19-4 over

30th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 12th of the Hebrews and 14th verse

31st I pd Samuel Paterson 2-13-0 old Tenour I owed him and I gave in paying him 9s/ 6d over

APRIL FIRST

I Vendued 2 Lotts of Land for John Goffe at the Cols and I swore 7 soldiers for Lieut Moore

2d I granted the wart to Rebecca Moore against John Macnight

3d I went to Lo: Derry and Lodged at my mother in Laws

4th was the General Fast and I heard Mr Macgregore preach in his own meeting house from the 9th of Hosiah & 12 verse

5th I got a Gallon & a Quart of Molasses from Robt Macneals wife and I pd her for it and 1-16-6 old Tenor which I owed from the last time I was there before which was of the 6th of March last and I came home after night

6th Mr Houston preached from the 12th Chapter of Hebrews and 14th verse

7th I found my yearlin heifer Dead in my Meadow and I went to our annual meeting held by adjournment

8th I pd Mr Sullivan £ 20 old Tenor in Gold being what he charged me for what work he did for me last winter and I went to Litchfield and I pd William Paterson a pistole which was said to weigh 8-13-4 Mass old Tenor toward 10 bushel of Corn I had from Samll Barnet on his acct and I pd Capt Chamberlin 3 Dollars on acct of what Toal I have had and shall have and I got 3½ bushell of Rie from Jas Underwood and had it Ground at Capt Chamberlins and had the toal and borrowed a horse Colar from Samll Barnet

9th I went to Col Goffes daughter Mollys funeral who Departed this Life at 10 minuts past 2 of the Clock of the 8th Instant and I went to Lieut Halls to attend the affair of Examining the Claim to Archibalds Starks estate and settled an acct to Timothy Farnum of Andoyer of £ 1000-2-0 old Tenour

10th I went along with Robt Davidson to Divide off 80 acres of Land he sold to Randall Alexander and I tarryed all night at John Maccurdys

11th I Divided off the aforesaid 80 acres and he paid me for this service and for writing the Deed and the Bond of Defeazance two or three years ago 7-15-0 old Tenour and I came home by the way of Thos Halls and Col Goffes and I swore some man at Col Goffes for Lieut Moore and I went to John Bells Junr and I swore 4 men for Lieut Little and 4 for Ensn Maclaughlin and 2 for Lieut Goffe

This week I got 3 bushell of Indian corn from Jas Underwood and had it ground into meal at Capt Chamberlins and had the toal for pay

15th being Sabathday Mr Houston was at Pelham

17th I went to Thos Murdoughs and Writ a Deed from his father to John Burns of Monson of his farm and burns paid me 46s-6d old Tenor for his

part of my Charges and I got 12 bushel of Rie from James Underwood and brought it to Cumings ferry and I brought it to Thomas Murdoughs and set it up in his Corn house and came home in the evening

20th Mr Rand Preached in Goffes town at Gails and I heard him preach from the first 7 verses of the 13th Chapter of Matthew and Mr Houston was at Pelham

21st I spent this daya going to McClearys trying to get a peice of striped Linnen wove but could not

The remainder of the week I plowed and sowed Rie

28th James Houston mended the middle tow of my Dung fork and Ebenzr Johnson got 20 shad and did not pay for them

29th I went to Robert Gilmoors House Raising and I settled on two orders which I had on Thos Wallace as a Constable one of 16 £ /8s and another of 4 £ my Rates town and ministers was 15–16–2 and I recd the ballance in Cash and I Indorsed the orders to him

30th I went to Merrymac and got 5 Quarts of molasses from Mr Lutwichie and borrowed a Dollar from Samuel Murdough to pay for them and I went to James Underwoods and got 2 bushel of Oats from him and Came to Gibsons and got almost ½ a bushell of peas from Mrs Gibson and I gave her 6–5–0 old Tenour and got no Change In the Night following I had a Cow Die in my meadow on hard bottom

MAY FIRST

I found her in the morning Dead who we found had Died of Calveing and I sowed my Barly

2d Jonas and I Carted 12 Load of Dung

4th Mr Houston preached at Sunkook

5th I sowed my oats

10th I attended on the Selectmen at John Bells and I got an order for what I pd for the first years tax on Mr Atkinsons and Wentworths land & for 3 £ for Recording the figures the 2d years tax List & Warrant and an order for 12 £ for my Qualifying the town officers four year

11th Mr Houston was in Boston

12th I pd John Goffe 3–16–0 old Tenor and 6s/ by Writings being what I owed him for 2 bushel of salt I pd him 6 £ toward it by Vendueing land writing advertisements &c before

13th William Cliniton helped me and we planted my Potatoes being 3½ bushell

14th I attended the business of examining the Claims to Archibalds Starke Estate

15th I got my Mares shoes sett anew by James Houston and he charged 20s/ old Tenor and I worked the time with him and I writ 2 Deeds one from Ebenzr Coston to James Aiken and another from sd Aiken to Joseph Houston Coston & Houston pd Aikens yet due 50s/ old Tenour

16th Our Cherry Cow Calved and my wife went to Thos Murdoughs and brot away 1 bushell of the Rye that I got from James Underwoods and she got 5 Quarts of Molasses Lutchweikie and Changed a johanna and she pd Samll Murdough a Dollar that I borrowed from him the 30th of

April Last and I planted a little Corn and Beans between the Potatoes and the house

17th Planted the last of my Corn

18th Mr Houston preached in Windham and Mr Goodhue of Massachusetts Dunstable preached with us in Bedford in the forenoon from the 6th of the Proverbs from the 6th to the 12th Verse and in the afternoon from 1 peter 2d Chapter and the former part of the 7th Verse the word To you therefore that believe he is precious

19th Was a town meeting and it was adjourned till the 26th instant at 4 of the Clock in the afternoon

20th I paid John Quig 3 Dollars to pay Deacon Williams for pastureing my oxen Las faull and keeping 2 cows a whill last Winter Which paid both times of the keeping & 7 /6 in Silver over and above and I went to Londonderry and Lodged at my mother in Laws and Got a saddle and bridle from William Ayers

21st I went to Major Tolfords and spent the day on an affair of a bond which Samuel Houston gave to my father in Law along with Mr Houston but Left the affair as we found it

22d I settled with John Caldwell on my being his Guardian for him and Divided What things was in partnership between us I fell the Bed and he the other articles and I pd him 7–15–0 old Tenor and I pd William Ayers 41–0–0 old Tenor for the saddle and bridle I got from him on the 20th instant and I got ½ a pound of tea from Robt MacNeill and pd him 4–16–0 for it and I got a bushel of salt from Robt Macmurphy and paid him 40s/ with something in his hand before pd him for it and almost a Glass bottle full of Vinegar from Mrs Boies and Come home in the evening and had William Ayers Stallion serve my mare

24th I writ 9 advertisements for Mr MacNutt for the men to go to Andover to pass Muster and I went to Litchfield to see the Provincial soldiers mustered and I borrowed £ 9 old Tenor from Robert Murdough and I brot away 3 bushel of Rie from Thos Murdoughs and got it Ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and I had the toal

25th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 12th Chapter of Hebrews and 14th Verse

26th was a town meeting by adjournment from the 19th Instant which I attended and I Divided off 16 acres and 90 Rods of Land from Gauin Riddle to Mr Houston and settled With Mr Houston for what money the Constables paid him in the years 1757 and 1758 which with what I pd of my own money being £ 15–11–10 old Tenor in both years he Recd from Bedford for the year 1757 with £ 1–3–10 of mine for that year £ 559–15–2 and for the year 1758 £ 14–8–0 of mine £ 7–34–18–6 old Tenor Which he Endorsed on the order the Respective sums on the Respective orders the 1–3–10 of mine is Endorsed along with Deacon James Moores and Benjn Baxters Rates the sum in the Endorsement is 18–9–3 but it does not mention Whose Rates they are and is Entered on his order for the year 1757 and the other 14–8–0 is Entered on his order for the year 1758

27th I went a Divided off 10 acres for Deacon William Moore being the

West end of no 26 the 9th Rang the Length that it took of the Lott was 28 Rods 4 feet and a half and half an inch Charged 40s/ unpd

31st I went to Amoskieg and I got 80 shad home and 10 I sold to Hugh Ramsey all my own Catching and he pd 30s/ for them to John Hall

JUNE FIRST

Mr Houston was at Merrymac

2d I went to Amoskieg Falls

5th I Returned home again and I got 45 Shad and 52 Ells on the 3d I granted two Warrt one for Parish Richardson against John Mash and another for Leonard Harriman against John Martain Junr of Goffes town on the 5th Mash was aprehended and they agreed and Mash paid the coasts I recd a note off mash for my my part of the charges being £ 8–12–0 old Tenor and I gave the note to Thos Hall to get the money for me

6th I Recorded the March meeting affairs and another meeting affairs held May 19 and I filled up a writ and summons for Samll Stark against John Boyd of Londonderry for £ 10–10–0 old Tenor

8th I went to Mr MacGregores meeting being his Sacrament and Mr Morehead assisted him

9th I bot 5 £ of shugar from and 2½ £ of Logwood from George Duncan and pd him for them and 2s/ 8d that I owed him on the acct of a Quire of paper amounting in the whole to 4 £ and came home in the evening

10th I went in the forenoon to Hugh Riddels and Notified his sons to go to Halifax as they were elisted and I bot 5 £ of Butter from Mrs Riddle for half a Dollar but did not get it and I pd her the money all but a Copper and I returned Daniel MacKinney 40s/ out of 3 pound he had given me to pay for Recording his Deed from Fergus Kennedy and I settled Jennet Wallace for what I did in her Case as an Evidence being 10 days I alowed 3 days her bror William helped me (viz) 2 a reaping and 1 a mowing at home and alowed a day for what he did at my hay in the Little meadow and a day her bror James mowed for me at home being 5 days in the whol and the other 5 I charged her 15 £ and charged her 3 £ for a Coppy of the Case and 20s/ for going to her fathers and acknowledging a power of attorney from her to Lieut Wallace amounting besides the 5 days her brors helped me to 19 £ and I recd 15–10–0 of it and the Remainder is yet due to be paid by spinning

11th My Wife and I went to Londonderry and I had James Scots horse

14th my Wife and I came home again on the 13th I carried My Cloath to James Milltimber to get made on the 12th I finished and attested the Claim to Archibald Starks Estate

15th I heard Mr Houston preach in Bedford from the 12th of the 14th Verse

16th I set out for Boston in Company with Hugh Riddel and arived there by 6 of the Clock in the afternoon

21st I set out from boston about 3 of the Clock in the afternoon and arived home the next morning about ½ an hour after sun Riseing

23d I heard Mr Daniel Emerson preach in Bedford from the 3d of the

Colossians 3d verse being the monday after the sacrament and it Was a Rainy day

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On the 16th as I was a going to Boston I pd Robert Murdough the £ 9 I borrowed from him on the 24th of May last & while I was at boston I pd John Macnight a Dollar more of my mares price

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25th I went to Litchfield and I got 4 bushell of Indian Corn from James Underwood and I pd him 3½ Dollars Being the full for all the Corn and Rie I have had from him and 4 bushell of Corn I have got to come and I pd William Patterson a Dollar being the full for the 10 bushell of Corn I had from Samll Barnet Jr on his acct and had the 4 bushell of Corn I had off Jas Underwood Ground at Capt Chamberlins & had the toal for pay

27th I went to Litchfield to apprise William Parkers Estate and was that day upon that business and Lodged that night at Ensn Reads

28th was on the same affair and afterwards I went to James Underwoods and got the 4 bushells of Corn I pd him for on the 25th Instant and I pd him a Dollar for 2 Bushell of Corn more which I did not get and I swore him and Ensn Read on the apprisement of Benjn Waltons Estate and Charged 20s/ old Tenor and the Adminrs pd me 12s/ of it and I got the 4 bushels of Corn I got from Jas Underwood Ground at Capt Chamberlins and I had the Toal for pay

30th Jas Houston made one new shoe and set 2 on my mare and put a peice of my steel on the Colter of my plow and he Charged me 50s/

JULY FIRST

I began to plow in fellowing my old field above my barn

2d I went to Thos Murdoughs a brot away 4 bushel of the Rie I had there and got 2 bushell of it Ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and had the Toal for pay and I left the other 2 there

3d I plowed

4th I went to Londonderry and got my Cloths that at James Milltimbers and he Charged me £ 38 old tenour for makeing a full coat a Jacoat & 2 pair Britches and as I went there I Recd from Alexr Macmurphy a Johanna for what time I spent in examining the claims to Arcibald Starks estate and £ 4–13–0 O : T : he pd Lieut Hall amounted to the whole of my part for my part of sd service

5th I went to William Adamses to James Miltimber and he altered the Britches and Jacoat and I came home in the evening

6th I heard Mr Houston preach in Bedford from the 14th Verse of the 12th Chapter of the Hebrews

7th I plowed about ½ an acre it was very hot

8th I writ a Deed for Lieut Moor to Thos Murdough & I went to the Lot no 14 in the 6th Rang along with Murdough which finished the day

9th I had my brors mare and I plowed among my Corn and Potatoes and I went in the afternoon to James Houston and he mended 2 hoes & the Colter of my plow and Charged 1–15–0

10th–11th–12th–14th–17th I workt at Piscataquog River Bridge on the 14th I borrowed £ 5–15–0 old Tenor from my bror Samuel and I pd the Selectmen £ 12 Old Tenor which was in my hands of arrearage money that the selectmen picked up last year out of the former Constables and Treasurers hands on the 15th I Joyned with Samuel Paterson to Fish for Salmon and Catched 2 1 weighed £ 12½ and the other £ 18 the small one I had and the Large one he had on the 16th we Raised the bridge over Piscataquog River and sett our nett that night and by morning we had a 9 and a 6 pound salmon the Large one I had and the small one Patterson had

18th I went to Litchfield and got 2 bushel of Indian Corn from Mr James Underwood which I had pd him for before on the 28th of Last June and got it Ground into Meal at Capt Chamberlins and I had the toal and brot away 2 bushels of Rie Meal I took the Rie there the second Instant and I pd my bror Samuel a bushell of Indian Meal which I borrowed of him Last fall or winter

19th I plowed and in the Evening Samuel Patterson and I Catched a Salmon which Weighed £ 8 And I had it

20th Mr Houston preached in Merrymac meeting house

21th I mowed the Lott no 74 in the Little Meadow and Samuel Paterson and I Catched 2 Salmon that weighed £ 21¼ and I had them both

22d I writ 2 Letters one for Madm Goffe and another for myself to go to her husband and I mowed all on the outside of my Fence at the Little Meadow and Jonas and I Raked 7 Cocks and Samuel Paterson and I Cactched 3 Salmon and he took 2 of them which we Judged to Weigh £ 25 and I had one that weighed £ 11 I am about £ 4 ahead of him in all since we began to Cactch

23d I Knit at my fly Net and finished what Twine I had the whole of what Net I have is 15 yds of a Chain and Samll Patterson and I Cutt out as much of his old nett as it filled and We hung it in the evening and Catched a £ 10 Salmon which I had and Jonas finished Raking what hay I had mowed at the Little meadow

24th I set out to go to Sunkook and Nottingham East pr Capt MacNutts order to Bring in some Desarters but my Mare was lame in her off for Leg or shoulder that I went no farther than Thomas Halls and Returned home again

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JULY 24th 1760

25th I and Samll Paterson Catched one salmon of £ 9¼ and I had it and went over to Londonderry and took Samll Rankins Deposition for Capt MacNutt against James Mathies and I had Samll Patersons Horse

26th I got my bror Robt Macmurphys mare and went to Swans Ferry to see Capt Macnutt and Came back to my Mother Macmurphys

27th I heard Mr Macgregore preach in Londonderry from the 9th verse of the 25th Psalm and came home in the Evening

28th I began to mow in my Little Meadow and Carted home a Load of hay from the Disputed Lott

29th I Carted home another and mowed in the forenoon and went in the

Evening and fished in partnership with Thos Parker and got a Small salmon the one half of it was Samll Patersons it weighed £ 10

30th I went up Piscataquog River in order to fish with Mr Thos Parker but was too Late and Came to Merrimack river and Catched one at Cold Brook and 3 at Patersons Brook and Samll Patterson and I had 2 of them and I got his part the whole weighed £ 69¼

31st John Quig Samll Patten and I went to arbitrat between Nehemiah and Daniel Macneal Concerning Nehemiahs place

AUGUST FIRST

was on the same business and finished it & Came home in the evening these two days especially the 31st of July was Wet Rainy Wether being the only Rain that we have had for about 4 weeks so as to Soak the Ground

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On the 30th of Last month Jonas went to Thos Murdoughs and brot away 4 bushells of Rie I had there and left 2 of it at Capt Chamberlins and 2 he brot home and pd it to my bror Samll being what Rie I borrowed of him Last Faull

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2d I mowed in the afternoon in the Little Meadow

3d Mr Houston was at Peterbourg

4 & 5th was Rainy Weather on the 5th my wife went to Thos Murdoughs and Got a bushell of Beans

6th turned and shaked out hay in the Little meadow and I mowed in the afternoon and I borrowed a Wooden bottle of Rum from John bell

7th our black Cow took bull and I raked with Jonas and John 34 Cocks of hay at the Little Meadow

8th I began to Reap Rie in my field by my brors and had Alexr Orr helping me and Jonas Raked 15 Cocks of hay at the Little meadow

9th Alexr Orr helped in the forenoon & Jonas and I Reaped all Day these two Days we Reaped 19 stooks and 2 sheaves and my wife went to Jos Hoggs and got 10 Quarts of Rum coast £ 10

10th Mr Houston preached from the 3d verse of the 5th Chapter of Matthw Gospel

11th Jonas went to Capt Chamberlins and brot home 2 bushels of Rie meal which the had sunned and ground for me and Samll Patterson and I Catched a Salmon weighed £ 19 & he had 6½ of it

12th Alexr Orr Robt Morrial and Thos Mathies wife Reaped for me

13th James Scott John MacManas & John Buckley Reaped for me

14th the above 3 men finished my Reaping about 3 a Clock their Charge was £ 18 I paid then £ 12–10–0 and James Linn pd his note to me of 11–15–0 there was 1–6–0 pd by Lydia Murdough the Intrest he pd by killing 6 Creatures for me he alowed me £ 11 out of what money he gave me and there Remain due to him 1–10–0 and Jean & Esther Patterson and my John and I Catched 2 Salmon 1 weighed £ 22 and the other about 8 the small one they had and I had the Large one

I had 32 stooks & 9 sheaves on the field by my brors and 52 & 11 sheaves

in the field before my house amounting in the whole to 85 stooks and 8 sheaves

15th Samuel Patterson Alexr Macmurphy and I Catched a Salmon weighed £ 11 and Alexr Macmurphy had it

16th I Carted home a Load of hay from the Little Meadow and 12½ stooks of Rie

17th Mr Wilkins preached in Bedford from the 25th Chapter of Isiah and 6th Verse

18th I Carted in 73 stooks & 8 Sheaves of Rie and I Drawed 2 Complaints and warts one for Widow Nutt against her son Samll and one for Jean Gordon against her bror Samll the Charge of Each is 6-8-0 old Tenour both unpaid

19th 20th 21st & 22d was on the business of the Differance between Robt Macmurphy and widow Cunningham on the 22d John Tolford and I signed a Deed to Alex Macmurphy of a peice of Land which lys by him which was Left to John Tolford Wm Tolford John Caldwell and me and Lieut Craig set the fore shoes anew of my mare and Alexr macmurphy pd for them

24th Mr Houston was at Merrymac

25th I gave a notification to Widow Hobbs of Amherst to William Joans to hear some affidavit taken on thursday the 28th Instant and I mowed about ½ a day in the Little meadow and I Carted home a load from there in the Evening

26th the Rowns of the bottom of my long Cart body was all given away on the off side of the spear and I mended it and I settled with John Bell Junr and I owed him £ 12-5-3 old Tenor and I went to the Little meadow and with Jonas and John turning the hay we Raked and Cocked what I mowed the day before being 17 Cocks

27th I mended some Rakes and went to the Little meadow and mowed 3 Cocks and Carted home a Load of hay from there

28th I went to Amherst to take some affidavits for Widow Amie Hobbs and I recd 12 £ for my pains and tarried all night at Ensn Reads & James Mathies wife pd £ 50 towards his note

29th I came home about 12 of the Clock and Wm Nutt came for me to go to Col Goffes to hear and try the case between his mother and sister Gordon and bror Samuell and I went and heard and adjudged in their Cases but the accommodated after Tryal and the judgment was not Read out

30th I Drawed a Deposition for William Peabody and he pd me 34s/ 8d old Tenor for it & Scott & MacManos began to Clear for me

31st Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 5th verse of the 15th Chapter of St. Luke

SEPTEMBER FIRST

I Drawed another Deposition for William Peabody and finished the Captions on the Deposition between the Widow Hobbs and William Joans and Returned the Rule of Court Concerning New Boston commitee & Andrew Walker to Court again and Sent a letter and £ 12 in cash old Tenor to Mr

Livermore or Parker to Manage a Case for MacNutt against Robt Wallace and Writ a Letter for Deacon Cochrane to Mr Parker of Portsmouth

3d John Clogston Butchere a ewe that weighed £ 43½ and I went to John Jacobs and got a peice putt on my Syth and pd him 10s/ for it

4th I finished mowing at the Little meadow

5th I began to mow at home in the forenoon

7th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 5th verse of the 15th Chapter of St Luke

8th Scott and Macmanus began again to Clear for me in the Little Meadow and Cleared all this week untill Saterday night

11 & 12th Robt Smith helped me to mow at home in my meadow and on the 11th Hugh Blair came from New Boston to my house to work for me

13th Robt Smith and I Butchered the old Belled Ewe

14th Mr Houston preached in Merrymac

15th James Houston Drawed my Crow barr and sett the Eye of an axe into shape and made a new blade for my Jack knif and Charged 20s/ old Tenour and I wrot a letter for Sarah Bell to her husband at no 4

17th I finished mowing and Scot and Macmanus went to Clear this day again for me

21st Mr Houston was in Bedford but it was a Rainy day and I did not go to meeting

22d Scot & MacManus finished Clearing the Lot no 60 Scot was 12 days and MacManus was 11 their Charge was £ 69 & I pd them £ 50

23d I recd a Letter from Capt MacNutt and I wrot one to him

25th I made a Calender the sides wood and the Bottom tinn

26th the Surveyor proposed to work at the Highway to the east of John Bells and accordingly I went

27th Hannah Chamberlin finished Spinning at our house she came the 18th of August and Charged £ 12-10-0 and I pd her £ 8-0-0 and I Carted in 3 Jags of Hay

28th Mr Houston preached from the 6th Chapter of Romans and 6th Verse in Bedford

30th I sit on the Bussness of Referance between new Boston commitee and Andrew Walker adjourned till Monday the 13th of October to meet at James Walkers again at ten of the Clock in the forenoon

OCTOBER FIRST

Deacon Cochran and Andrew Walker agreed their Case themselves and I spent the day in Drawing the judgment and with them and took a Note for my pay from Andrew Walker the sum being £ 32 in all for my trouble in going to New Boston Last Winter to take Depositions and Summoning Evidences Notifieing the partys and refferres sending to Court for a second rule &c

2d spent part of the day with Deacon Cochrane and Andrew Walker

4th I sett up the fence between Deacon Moor & I in the Little Meadow on the South side of mine there was 36 lengths and my wife let Alexr Orrs wife have 2 bushell of Rie being what Orr charged me for what he reaped for me last Reaping time

5th Mr Houston preached at New Boston

6th I helped Deacon Smith to pry up his house

7th Hugh Blair Went to New Boston all he has helped me since he came to me the 11th of September is 16 days

9th I finished makeing a Harrow for John Clogstone

10th I workt at New Boston Highway

12th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 6th Chapter of Romans and 6th verse

14th James Houston sett 2 shoes on my Mares fore feet and charged 16s/ old Tenor

15th my wife and I went a Chesnuting but made a poor hand of it

16th I sowed 2 bushell of Rie in my old field by my brors and I writ a deed from John Quig to Matthw Macduffey of his place and Robt Parkesin Released the bargain of it and he pd the writings and all his part of the Conveyance to him except 10s/ old Tenor and I writ a Deed from Timothy Ferrin to Leonard Harriman and it was not paid the charge of it is 20s/ and I pd Samuel Patterson 30s/ old Tenor toward what Salmon I had off him this summer with 9/6 I pd him last year Cleared us of the Salmon I had all but 20 £

19th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from St Luke ye 11 Chapter & 9 & 10th verses

20th I Drawed an acct for Mehetibel Emery against John Mash and a Power of Attorney from her to William Karr and Karr Promised to pay it the charge is 40s/

21st James Linn & Alexr Orr helped me to Butcher my Stagg which weighed £ 374 of Beaf & £ 59½ of hide and I Qualified William Karr a Deputy Sheriff

22d I took my Calf to pasture at Pattersons & Diged Potatoes the Rest of the day

26th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 11th Chapter of St Luke and the 9th & 10th verses

27th was a training and I went to it and I got 3 bushel of Rie Ground at Col Goffes mill and before I went away I helped my bror to make part of a Chees and I put in 12 bushell of apples with him and he filled 3½ barrels with Cydar 1½ I suppose my apples made & the other 2 barrels I expect to pay for

28th I Digged potatoes in the afternoon and Jonas Digged all day for William Barnet

29th Jonas digged potatoes all day for Willm Barnett and he sent home with Jonas for what We helped him 3 bushell

The night between the 30th and 31st I had a small fitt of the Fever & augue

31st I lay abed all day

NOVEMBER

3d I carried £ 6¾ of yarn for warp & £ 8¼ of filler of all wool to William Nutt to weave & he pd me £ 24–10–0 old Tenor on acct of his mothers note to me

5th I made a Dung shovel

6th I went to John Smiths in Goffes town and got 7 yds of pleided Cloath she wove for us

7th I went to Thos Wallaces & got ½ a bushell of Onions from his wife and did not pay for them for want of Change

8th I & Jonas went to John Thomas and Run round the land he had of me and I got 13 bushell of potatoes from him one of them his Wife give to mine & I got 33 hard burnt Brick from Thos Wallace they came to 8/s old Tenor the Potatoes & brick unpaid & Lucy Barron came to work at our house for us

9th Mr Houston was at Newbury

10th I went to New Boston and Lodged at Deacon Cochranes and Jonas went and got a shoat from William Barnett which I am to pay £ 12 for and another from my bror that I dont know the price

11th I went to John Blairs and I Bargained with Mrs Blair for 4 Tubbs of Butter a 4s/ in Silver pr £ and Hugh Blair gave me 2¾ bushell of Potatoes and I came home that afternoon and evening

13th I went to Samuel Barnets and got 4 bushell of Indian corn from him and I pd him a Johanna and am to have corn for the whole of it and it began to snow in the afternoon being the first that fell that year it was 3 or 4 inches Deep

14th I hunted and wounded 2 buck but got none of them

15th My bror Samuel and I followed one of the buck but could not get him

16th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 9th Chapter of Hebrews and the 2 last verses

17th I went to the Funeral of old Mrs Pebles who Departed this Life last Saterday

19th I went to Samll Barnets and I got 4 bushell of Indian Corn & I got 2 bushel of it Ground at Col Goffes Mill

20th I went to John Blairs of New Boston & brot away 2 tubbs of Butter the one weighed £ 56 Tub and butter without the lid the other was £ 43¾ of Butter

21st I went to Mr Houstons and writ a Deed from his father in Law from him unpd

22d I got £ 2 of shugar from Matthew Little unpd

23d Mr Houston was at New Boston

25th I went to Samuel Barnets and I got 2 bushel of corn from him and 2 bushell from Joseph Farmer there is only 30s/ pd toward Farmers which I pd by Coppying a bond and I pd James Scott 16–10–0 old Tenor being the whole of what I owed him on acct of his Reaping and Clearing for me

26th I got 2 bushell of the corn I got the day before ground at Col Goffes mill

27th was the general Thanksgiveing

28th I winnowed 11 bushell & about 10 Quarts of Rie

29th I went to Samll Barnets and got 4 bushell of Indian corn & got 2 bushell of it ground into meal at Col Goffes mill

31st Mr Houston preached in Bedford from ye 97 Pslam & first verse

DECEMBER FIRST

I winnowed almost 3 bushel rie and went along with Haws to see the Lott no 1 on the north side of Piscataquog River but did not sell it and had a jill of Rum at Matthew Littles on Credit

2d Was a town meeting which I attended & before the meeting by one of the Selectmen's desire I went to lay out a Highway from Deacon Walkers to the meeting house but did not do it

3d I workt Piscataquog bridge

6th I went to Samll Barnets and got 4 bushell of Indian Corn and got 2 bushell of it Ground at Col Goffes mill

8th I hunted & got nothing

9th I went along with Capt John Stark & Thos Hall to Litchfield on an affair of Land between them & Thos Read Esqr

11th I came home again from sd business and got 4 bushel of Indian Corn from Samll Barnett

12th I assisted in laying the plank on the bridge over Piscataquog River

14th Mr Houston was at Merrymac

15th I attended on the selectmen & Recd 2 orders one of 24 £ and the other of 31 being the pay for 5 years Clerkship

17th I went to Samll Barnets and got 4 bushell of Indian corn & got 2 bushell of it ground at Col Goffes mill

18th James Houston sett my mares shoes and steeled the toes of 2 shoes and charged 40s/

19th I killed a Buck that weighed 27 £ pr Quarter and I writ a Deed from John Anderson to George Orr of the Lott no 3 in the 2d Rang on the north side of Piscataquog River in Goffes town

21st my Wife to Lo: Derry to see her mother who was taken unwell the week before

23d I went to Thos Murdoughs and 4 bushell of Indian corn and got 2 bushell of it ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and I had the toal I had my brors mare to bring it home

26th I granted a Wart to James Gibson against John & Thos Worthley and 7 Supeneas the charge of the whole is 25s/ new Tenor unpd

27th I went to Thos Murdoughs and got 4 bushell of Indian corn and got 2 bushell of it ground at Capt Chamberlins mill & I had the toal

28th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 55th of Isiah and 3d Verse

29th I made the province Rates & Drawed the warrant

30th I borrowed 3 sheats of paper of my brother

JANUARY FIRST 1761

I went to Thos Murdoughs and got 4 bushells of Indian corn and got 2 bushell of it ground at Capt Chamberlins and I had the toal and I went through among several of Merrymac Inhabitants who was Rated with us in Bedford to the minister

2d I killed a sow and went to Goffes mill and got 2 bushell of Rie ground

In this month I got 4 bushell of Corn from Thos murdoughs and on the 6th Alexr Orr helped me to kill two Hoggs and I took a Staggs hid which weighed 59 £ and a Cow hide that died in the Calving to Lieut Robys in Chester and I got 2 sides of sole Leather from him that he tanned for me last year and a side of upper leather Marked at 10-10-0 on acct of the 2 hides I put in now and I went to New Boston and got 2 bags full of Turnips from Hugh Gregg and 2 Tubbs of butter from Mrs Blair and I got one bushell of salt from Mr Daniel Ingles and Sold him a parcel of Timber at ½ a Dollar pr Tun Round Measure to be paid the one half in Salt the other in Cash and I went to Boston with the Butter I had off Mrs Blair the butter brot me 5s/ pr £ the whole Quantity I had from her was 182¾ £ which amounted to 36-8-0 Mass: old Tenor what things I bot for her came to 17 £ and I sent them to her by her son Wm and 19-8-0 Mass: old tenor in Cash and I purchased one of the Tubbs from Wm for 1-4-0 old Tenor but could not pay him for want of Change and I Recd 25 £ old Tenor from Gauin Riddell £ 24 of it was on acct of an order I had from the selectmen In this month I borrowed £ 8 old Tenor from Jas Walker and I paid it to John MacManus being what I owed him for what he Cleared for me last Faull and I paid Samuell Barnett £ 30 old Tenor being the whole of what I owed him for what Corn I had from him last faull and this winter

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JANUARY 31st 1761

FEBRUARY

3d I Returned home from Boston

8th I heard Mr Houston preach from the Chaptr and the verse of

10th Jas Houston sett a shoe on my mare and I went through among several of the Inhabitants of merrymac who was Rated with us in Bedford for preaching

11th Jas Houston Laid an ax for me and Charged 4-10-0 old Tenor and attended a meeting of the Selectmen at Gauin Riddells

12th Jas Houston put a hoop on a pott and charged 1-4-0 and I went to Londonderry to a meeting of Nova-Scotia Subscribers & I pd Mrs Bell a Dollar what I owed her was 4 peistereens

13th went to Chester

14th William Tolford & I Deed away a lott in the 80 acres in Chester to Dr Samll Moor for £ 1600 o Tenor no 69 and John Caldwell and I Deeded to John & William Talford our part of 2 forty acre lotts & half and 1 sixty acre lott and half and one Meadow Lott & half for 600 £ old Tenor & William Tolford gave me a bushell of wheat

15th I heard Mr Macgregore preach from the 32 Chapter of 2d Chronicles and 25th Verse

16th I went and Settled on my note to Mrs Wear and pd £ 100 and gave a note for the Remainder being 155-1-4 old Tenor on Demand and And Robt Macmurphy gave me a bushell of Wheat and I bot 1 Dozen of Buttons from Wm Duncan and paid Joseph Hogg 4-5-0 and 16s/ he owed me for writing a Deed paid him 5 £ I owed him for 5 Quarts of Rum my sister in Law got for me last Summer and I Cleared at Col Goffes for all I owed in the house being 2-19-0 old Tenor

17th I got the 2 bushell of wheat above mentioned ground at Col Goffes mill and I pd James Walker the £ 8 I borrowed of him Last January and my wife was taken with Travail pains and I got 7 Quarts and a half a pint of Rum from John Bells Junrs wife

18th my wife was in hard Labor all the night before and was Delivered this day Between 11 & 12 of the Clock of a man child

19th I got 7 Quarts and ½ a pint of Rum more from John Bell Junr and I pd the midwife £ 3 old Tenor and carried her home and went and attended on the Selectmen at Matthew Littles at the settlement of Robt Gilmore on his Constableship

22d Mr Houston preached from the 55th Chapt of Isaiah and 3d Verse in Bedford

24th I gave Obidiah Haws £ 6 old Tenor to take my years ferriage out of & got no change

25th I swore James Moor Robert Giffin David Thompson Robt Morrial and Alexr Orr Concerning their being at Fort Frederick over Winter in the year 1760 the first 4 I charged a peistereen and Giffin is to pay it and Orr I charged 16s/ old Tenor & I sent Jonas and got a bushell of Barly from John Clogston and I cutt Rail timber on the highway at the west end of Benjn Smiths land and I got 3¾ Quarts of Rum from John Bell

26th was a snowey Day & I cutt wood at home

27th I cutt wood and Jonas haulled

MARCH

1st was Sabath day and I went to Lo: Derry & heard Mr Macgregore preach from the 12 & 13 verses of the first Chapter of the 1st Corinthians

2d I got 5 Quarts of Rum from Wm Rankin and pd him 5-10-0 for it and came home

3d I pd Thos Murdough £ 50-0-0 old Tenor and I got a horse Corlar from Deacon James Moor unpd

4th I Drawed a Compt & Wart for Daniel Macmurphy against Richard Rowan and attended the selectmen in Drawing the acct of the coast of Building the bridge over Piscataquog River and I Drawed the Wart for the March Meeting Alexr Orr & Charles Black cutt wood for me

5th was summoned an Evidence in Macmurphys case and attended the tryal of Hugh and Richard Rowans Cases and made the bridge rate and Wart for Collecting the same and Charles Black cut wood the forenoon

6th Charles Black cut wood all day and George pearson came here to work for a fortnight for £ 12 old Tenor & I went to Mert William Duncans and got 4 Galn and 3 Quarts and ½ pint of Rum a £ 4 pr Galn came to £ 21-2-0 and paid him £ 12 of it

7th I pd John Bell Junr 4 Gallon and 3 Quarts and 1 pint & ½ of Rum what I owe him yet of Rum is 2½ Quarts

9th I went to Amherst and Qualified their town officers and charged them a Dollar which they paid & James Smith cut Rail stuff for me

10th I came home again

11th I attended on the selectmen and Recd a Discharge on my being Treasurer for the years 1757 and 1758 and I had John Quigs oxen and Dea-

con^{d} Smiths oxen and James Smith helping me to Draw Rail stuff to ye Little Meadow on the west side

12th I had James Smith and his fathers oxen helping me to Draw Posts & Rail stuff to the Little meadow

This morning about 2 of the Clock there was a Considerable smart shock of an Earth Quake which Wakened me out of sleep

13th & 14th I Drawed 16 Load of wood and I had John Clogstones slede these three days and on the 14th I paid William Barnett £ 12 old Tenor for a Shoat I had from him last Faull

15th was Sabathday and Mr Houston was in Merrymac

16th I Recd £ 6–15–6 old Tenor from Robt Gilmor of Merrymac being the Remainder of a Quarter of Beaf he had from me faull was a twelve month

18th George Pearson finished his fortnight that I had hired him for

19th I helped Deacon Smith to Rais the barn he bought on Greggs place

21st I went to Merrymac and got 7 lb of shugar from Mr Lutwychie and paid him 1–15–0 in Mass old Tenor and 6^{s}/ on acct of the mistake of a Quart of molasses near a twelve months ago and I got 4 bushell of Indian corn from Thos Murdough and had 2 bushell of it ground at Capt Chamberlins and had the Toal and I paid Hannah Chamberlin 4–10–0 old Tenor being what I owed her for what work she did for us last summer and I got 2 Quarts of Rum from William Henry and I paid him for it and 2½ Quart of Molasses I had from him this Winter and I recd 10–14–6 old Tenor from William Henry being his Ministers Rates in Bedford for the year 1758 and I got a Chair from James Wallace and I pd him 40^{s}/ for it

22^{d} Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 29th Psalm and Verse

23^{d} I haulled I post and 3 slit work cutts at the Little Meadow and I had Benjn Smiths oxen and I went to the funeral of John Burns son John

24th I Drawed one slit work cut and had Quig and Deacon Benjn Smiths oxen and I writ a Deed from Hugh Riddell to Obdiah Haws and charged 20^{s}/ unpaid and writ a mortgage Deed from Haws to James Voce 3 notes from Haws to Riddel and took the acknowledgement of both Deeds and Charged Haws £ 4 old Tenor and he pd 25^{s}/ old Tenor and the Remainder is due

25th was our annual March Meeting and I was chose Clerk and Surveyor of Lumber

26 & 27th I was on the business of settling Sam^{ll} Murdoughs Estate among the heirs on the 27th I got 4 bushell of Indian corn from Thos Murdough and I got it ground at Capt Chamberlins Mill and I had the toal and on the 26th James Linn and Alex^{r} Orr Butchered a sow for me

29th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 29th Psalm and 3d Verse

APRIL FIRST

I swore Alex^{r} Maccollum and Thos Wilson to the Inventory of New Boston and the same day I swore Alex^{r} Walker & Samuel Richards to the Inventory of Goffes town and Went to Thos Halls to take Capt John Stark and his wifes Deposition concerning a Newbury lottery Ticket but Col Goffe had taken it before I went and I came home in the Evening

On the 30th of last month I got 2 pigs from James Lyon unpd and I took a sow to the boar to William Thompson and on the 31st I got a ½ bushell of peas from him and I paid him 3-15-0 old Tenor and Recd no Change

5th Mr Houston preached in Merrymac

6 7 & 8th I was on the busness of Dividing Samuel Murdoughs Estate among his Wife and Children

9th I went along with Nehemiah Macneal to View the place he let his bror Daniel have along with my bror Samuel and he gave us 6 £ old Tenor

10th I sett up the barrs at the Little meadow & split 24 Rails more there

11th I began to Sow and plow in Rie

15th I Drawed Bedford Inventory to go to court and Qualified the taker of it (viz) Capt Barron and charged £ 3 old Tenor unpd and settled with James Mathies on his Note and I recd £ 111

16th I pd John Thomas 18 £ old Tenor for 12 bushell of potatoes I had from him last faull and I went to Lon: derry and Lodged at my Mother in laws

17th I came to my brother in Laws Alexr Macmurphys and got a meas of fish and parsnips & french Turnips and Cabage and a quarter of veal from my Mother in law

18th I granted a Warrant to Jos Butterfield of Monson against William Jones of Amherst for on profane oath and 4 suppeneas the whole charge is 4-8-0 old Tenor unpd

19th I heard Mr Houston in Bedford preach from the 12th Chapter of Hebrews and 1st verse

20th I began to writ a Letter to Mr Houston

21st I pd Robt Smith £ 12 old Tenor being the whole that I owed him for makeing and Mending shoes for me

23d was the Fast preparetory to the Sacrement in Bedford and I delivered my letter to Deacon James Moor to give to Mr Houston

24th I got a tramil and an Eye put on a hatchet at James Houstons and the charge was 7-15-0 and I went to Mr Lutwichies and ½ £ of Tea and 1¼ of Logwood and him for them being 1-7-6 in Mass old Tenor and I recd a letter from Mr Houston

25th Robt Mathies paid off the last of the price of his Land being 138-8-0 old Tenor and I pd my bror Samuell £ 24 of his part and I owe him 22 £ yet of his part and I sent a second letter to Mr Houston by my boy

26th was the Sacrement in Bedford and I heard Mr Mitchel preach from the 8th of the Romans and 23d Verse

27th I went to meeting and heard Mr Mitchel preach from the 2d of Collosians and 6th verse and sent 16/9 Mass old Tenor by Gauin Riddell to Boston to buy a shamy sheeps skin

29th was the Provincial Fast

30th My bror went along with me to Mac Allesters mill and 2 pr of oxen and I had John Bells Junr and Gauin Riddels and Richard Mac Allesters oxen and we Drawed out in 7 white pine Loggs and 4 Cutts of oak for Slit

work unto the ways and I brot away 258 feet of Boards that Gauin Riddell sawed for me

MAY FIRST

I went to Lo: Derry and Sent a letter to Capt Francis Peabody Concerning Capt MacNutt drawing wages for me out of the Treasury

2d I pd of my note to Lieut John Wear of 135–1–4 and its Intrest since the 9th of February and he gave me 20s/ and 10 pence of the Intrest only we alowed in the cast a week intrest more than was due and I borrowed 20s/ old Tenor from Robt Macmurphy and I got near 3 pecks of Flaxseed from him and I came home in the Evening

3d I heard Mr Houston preach in Bedford from the 13 & 14 verses of the 29th Chapter of Jeremiah

4th I went to MacAllesters mill and carried off 2 stocks of boards that John MacAllester sawed for me the one stock measured 322 feet and the other 382 feet and I got the shamey skin from Gauin Riddell that I sent for by him to Boston it cost 15s/ in Silver and I sent 16/9 and in the afternoon it began to snow and continued snowing all night the wind Easterly

5th It snowed all day it abated in the evening it fell about 3½ inches Deep at my house it is said it fell 10 inches deep at William MacDoles and mid legg deep in Chester and at one a Clock in the Afternoon and was then snowing hard it fell 15 inches deep in Starks town

6th the snow went mostly off about my house and I let John Bell Junr have 2 bushell of rie pr his bror James

7th I went and took care of my boards at MacAllesters mill Gauin Riddell sawed 3 stocks which measured 876 feet and Joseph Houston sawed 2 stocks that measured 419 feet and he and I Divided a stock that he was to have had the whole of that he sawed last faull the whole of what Gauin Riddell sawed for me is 1134 feet he had a stock of boards from me in 1754 that Measured 286 feet the whole of what I owe him is 622 feet after alloweing for that stock he had in 1754

9th I went to Mr Lutweikys and got 7 £ of shugar and paid him 1–15–0 Mass old Tenr for it and I got 1½ Bushell of potatoes from John Thomas that he gave me

10th Mr Houston preached at Mr Batchelders parish in Haverhill

11th I went to MacAllesters Mill and carried off 4 stocks of slit work that John MacAlester sawed for me they measured 482½ feet the sawing came to 7 £ old Tenor the whole he sawed for me this spring of boards and slit work comes to 14–4–0 old Tenor I owe him the whole yet and I I went to James Houstons and I got an old ax made into a holeing ax and it cost 25s/ and I got a new staple for an ox yoke which cost 27s/

12th I paid Mary Houston 21s/ old Tenor that I owed her for spinning she did here some years ago and I went along with Daniel Macmurphy to show him my farm in Goffestown

16th I went to Namaskeig and got 3 shad 2 Thos Karr gave me and 1 I bot of Zekiel Stevens and gave him 4s/ for it and Mrs Hall sent my wife a peice of Salmon and I pd Capt John Stark one johanna on Crown Sterling and one shilling & one six pence Sterling with one Dollar was due to me

out off his fathers estate and 1½ Dollar was due to me on acct of prising his fathers Estate amounted to 12 Dollars lacking 6 copers being the intrest due lacking 6 copers for one year of what money I borrowed from him January 8 1760

17th I heard Mr Houston preach in Bedford from the 3d of Romans and the 28th Verse

18th I went to Mr Lutweikeys and got a pair of wool Kards coast ½ a Dollar and ½ £ of Tea and paid a Dollar and I owe 6 Copers of the Tea I borrowed the Dollar from my bror Samll and Abagail Chamberlain came home along with me to spin at our house and I paid George Pearson 4-6-0 and a pair of pumps he had of me a 7-10-0 paid him for the fortnight he workt with me this Spring all but 4s/ old Tenor

19th I had my brors oldest oxen and I carted Dung

22d I sent out for Andover and Haveril and Lodged at Mr Ingalls

23d I went to Haverhill and got 2 bushel of salt from Richard Ayers at 25s/ pr bushell and did not pay for it

25th I went to Amoskieg a fishing and fished untill the 2d day of June at Night and I got 72 shad and a small Salmon I borrowed 10 shad from James Maccurdy and I owe him for them I cleared off all my expenses at Russ being 18s/ and at John Halls being 2-2-0 old Tenr and I owe my expenses at Thos Halls yet

JUNE 1st

I fined old Mr Loggan 16/ for swearing one profane oath in Derryfield

2d I fined James Steele 40s/ for swearing 4 profane oaths in Derryfield all the shad I got this year was 75 and 10 I borrowed from James McCurdy amounts to 85

3d I burt the brush in the Little Meadow that Scot & MacManus Cleard for me last faull

11th I finished setting up my part of the fence Between Deacon Moore and I

12th Rhody made 2 shoes of my Iron and Set them and made a holeing ax into shape and Charged 2-5-0

14th I heard Mr MacGregore preach in his own Meeting house from the 24th of Mat & 12 Verse and I came and lodged at My bror Alexr Macmurphys & Mr Houston was at Pelham

15th I got ½ £ of Indigo from him & did not pay for it and Elizth Chamberlin came to our house to spin

18th I went to the River at Pattersons brook and Joynd with Lieut Goffe and Thompson and Samll Patterson and we catched 3 Salmon we supposed weighed 40 £

19th was a small quantity of Rain and I went to Thos Halls to borrow his Fly nett

20th I went to Litchfield and Qualified 12 men for Capt Lovewell and had Col Goffes Colt

21st Mr Houston was abroad to the southwestward

22d I went to Thos Halls and settled with him for my fishing Expenses and the 8-12-0 he Recd on my Acct from Capt Martain for John Mash and

27/ I pd him last faull and Recd the ballance being 4–18–0 and borrowed his fly nett and taxed the bill of costs for Deacon Boies against Fergus Kennedy

23d I got Deacon Walker and William Barnetts Cannoe and fixed our net and Halls together

26th I went to Derryfield and run the Divisions of John Barnets Junrs Meadow above Capt Perhams and Lodged at my bror Alex Macmurphys

27th I run the line between my bror Alex Macmurphy and Samll Boyd and Boyd pd me 25s/ old Tenor for his part of the cost and Alexander Macmurphy gave me near 4 bushell of Indian Meal and Samll Paterson and I catched 7 Salmon at one hall that weighed 97½ £ and one we catched the night before that weighed 12 £

29th I went up Piscataquog river to fish along with Deacon Walker William Barnett and Samuel Paterson but got nothing

JULY FIRST

Samuel Patterson and I catched 5 Salmon he had 2 weighed 25 £ & I had one that weighed 9 £

2d We sent one of the yesterdays catchings to Thos Hall of 14 £ weight and another to Deacon Walker and William Barnet of 9 £ and Jonas and I went up the Near Meadow and shook out some hay and cocked it that James Miller mowed on Jos Thomas lott we have estimated what I must give him to Deacon Walker and we helped William Barnet to Rake 9 cocks that Miller had Mowed on his Right in said Meadow

3d I went up to Matthew Littles and swore the Evidences in Jean Macmurphys case and spent the day on that busness and Samuell Patterson and I catched 3 salmon that weighed 55 pound I had one that weighed 32 and he had 2 that weighed 11½ £ each I have had 23 £ more than him and Jennie Macinnish sent home a pair of stockens she had knit for me

4th We catched 3 salmon that weighed 34¼ Samuell Patterson had 11 £ the other 2 we designed to send to Thos Hall

5th Mr Houston preached in Bedford from the 3d of James and 13th Verse

6th we catched 2 salmon that weighed 18¾ and I had them both 1 was masht in the nett on saterday night the other we catched on Monday Morning and in the Evening we haulled and catched 6 Salmon that weighed 85¼ we alowed Nathaniel Patterson one that weighed 24¾ and I had 2 that weighed 30¼ and in the forenoon I went to Thos Halls being the day appointed for holding their first meeting after Incorporation and I carried Hall 2 salmon that weighed 23 £ and in the evening we We sett the nett and catched a Storgion that weighed 94 £ whole and was 6 feet & 2 inches in Length and I had him

7th I brot it home and dressed it and fished in the afternoon and catched 3 at Pattersons brook and 3 at Cold brook and 2 at Scheeroos brook the whole weighed 75 £ Nathaniel got 21 £ Samuel Patterson got 26½ £ and I got 27½ £

8th I went to Lo: Derry and Lodged at my mother in Laws

9th I got almost 5 gallon of Vinegar in bottle and a Barrel full from Lieut Duncan he gave me the Vinegar and I pd him for the barrel and

came home in the afternoon and I got a sow pig from Mrs Patterson that weighed £ 31 and I am to give her one again of the same weight

10th Samuell and Nathaniel Patterson & I went up Merrymac to look for Salmon and Lodged at Capt Fowlers and John Bell Junr got 2 bushell of rie

11th went as far as the mouth of Sowkook but got none and came home that night this day or yesterday Jonas got 2 pigs from Deacon Robt Walker unpaid

13th Writ a Mortgage Deed from Eleazer Robbins to John Harvey unpd

14th I let Joseph Houston have a bushell of rie which was what I owed him for what he sawed for me last fall and spring

17th I went along with James Mathies of Merrymac to Capt Minots and gave a Wart of aprisement to Capt Minot & Jas Cowan to apprise a horse he had pounded the day before and Swore them and Charged a Dollar

18th I began to plow in the field before the house

19th Mr Houston was at Pelham

20 21 & 22d I plowed in

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JULY 22d 1761

23d I went and began to mow in the Near Meadow in Mr Sigoonys Lott & I got 1 Quart and ½ a pint of Rum from John Bell

26th I heard Mr Houston preach in Bedford from the 13th Verse of the 3d Chapter of James

27th I finished stacking at the near meadow I got 22 cocks

31st Alexr Orr & Aaron Henery helped me to Reap Rie and I killed a Lamb that Weighed 40½ £

AUGUST 1st

Alexr Orr & Aaron Henery helped me to Reap about ½ of the forenoon & it began to rain and beat us from it and I let Aaron have a Syth Sneath and in this day and yesterday I borrowed 2 fulls of glass bottle of Rum from my bror Samuel the bottle held above a quart

2d I heard Mr Houston preach in Bedford from the 13th of Romans and 10th Verse

4th I finished reaping in the field by my Brors I had 14 stooks and 2 sheaves in it

5th I began to mow in the Little Meadow & I borrowed a Quart of Rum from my bror and recd 3 £ old Tenor from Eleazer Rabins being the remainder of the price of stocking his Gun and 2s/6d old Tenor over towards some tow my wife let him have

6th I Carted home a stock of boards from Macallesters mill and 6 slabs and James Houston mend the heel of my syth and he charged 8s/ old Tenor

7th I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from John Holms to Thos Shirley unpd

8th James Walker brot me a syth from Belerica he laid out the money for it

10th Thos Shirley paid the acknowledgement of the deed taken on the 7th

and I Writ a Deed from James Peters to to John Mills and Thos and William McClure

12th I began to mow in the Little Meadow and finished Mowing on the 20th

13th I killed a Lamb that weighed 37¼ and James Voce helped me to Mow

20th finished mowing in the Little meadow

21st I carted home the first Load of hay from the Little meadow

22d was a rainy day and I planed at Jonathan Chamberlins Controverted land

25th I went to Lieut Duncans and attested to the plan before Docter Thornton and brot home a barrel of Vinegar from said Duncan

28th I pd James Walker a Dollar which he pd for a syth for me on the 8th Instant

30th Mr Houston preached in Derryfield

31st I finished Carting my hay from the Little meadow I had 9 Jaggs for my oxen and mare being 94 Cocks and I went to Litchfield with Deacon Kendall to acknowledge a Deed from Thos Bixby who lay very sick and I had my bror Mare and I acknowledged two more for him one from David Whitemor and one from Harvell and one from Kendall to Harvey

SEPTEMBER

1st came home and got the remainder of our checquored cloath from Widow Shinly being 28 yds in the whole I pd her for weaveing 6/ pr yd came to 8–8–0 old Tenor in the afternoon I began to mow at home

2d I went and run Lines for James Voce which paid him for mowing for me on the 13th of August last and I went just before night to Guils Vendue

7th I writ a deed from Guil to Little of his place sold the 2d Instant unpaid and a Deed from Robt Gilmor to his son Robt of a lot in Goffes town and acQuitance from Robt to his fathers Estate and acknowledged it Gillmor owes for the first Deed and the last acknowledgement being 36/ old Tenor and a Deed from Capt Perham to Charles Emerson and Emerson owes the acknowledgement being 16/ O : T : the Deed I gave to Capt Perham

9th I killed a lamb that weighed 46 £

10th I got 2 £ of shugar from James Walker and paid 28s/ old Tenor for it and I got a gallon of Rum from Matthw Little on Credet and ¼ £ of Tea from Gillmor on Credet and a peck of peas from Clogston on Credit

11th proved a rainy day and we had some Wool broke by some of the Girls in the neighbourhood

13th Mr True preached in Bedford in the forenoon from the 14th of John and 22d Verse and in the afternoon from the 15th of the Acts and 9th Verse

17th I finished carting in my hay at home and had 66 cocks this year at home and I borrowed 2 bushell of rie from my bror Samll

18th I went to Capt Chamberlins mill and got the 2 bushell of rie I borrowed from my bror Samuel ground and I had the Toal

20th I went to London : derry and heard Mr Macgregore in the forenoon Lecture on the 1st Chapter of John from the 6th Verse to the 14th verse and

heard Mr Kinkead in the afternoon preach from 12th verse of the 116 Psalm and came home that Evening

21st I workt at the Little meadow

22d I Joynted My Brors Sydar press and pulled some hemp for seed at Clogstons and I killed a pig that weighed almost £ 9 and writ a deed from Robert Davidson to John Taggart and took the acknowledgement of it and of a deed from Taggart to him and charged £ 3 old Tenor and recd the money

25th I got a barrel of cydar from my brother Samll

26th Andrew Rhody made 2 hind feet shoes and steeled the toes of the fore shoes and set them on my Mare and charged 3–12–0 and a Catch for my bench and charged 8s/°

27th I heard Mr Payson preach in Merrymac in the forenoon from the 22d of Matth and 29th Verse and in the afternoon from the 7th of first Samuell and 3d verse

28th I got ¼ of Tea from Robt Gillmor on Credit and 1£ of shugar from James Walker and paid it and Writ an Deed from George Cuningham to James Mathies and one frm Mathies to Cuningham and Charged 4 £ and recd the money

29th I butchered a Ewe weighed 47 £

30th I began to set up of the Division fence between Benjn Smith and I at the Little meadow and my wife got a bushell of rie ground at Capt Chamberlins mill

OCTOBER FIRST

I carried Jean Macmurphy to London : Derry as far as William Bettys

2d I went in the morning to James Houston and got a shoe on my Mares Lame foot and I went to Hails town and Veiwed a lott of Col Atkinsons for Mr Emerson and returned home in the night it rained as I came home so much that it wet me through my great and straight coat and Jacoat

5th Jonathan Chamberlin brot me twelve bushells of salt from Haverhill of Lieut Oliver Peabodys he charged 15 £ old Tenor for Carting it to Goffes ferry and 10s/ Mass old Tenor for the Hoggshead to put it in I had my brors 4 oxen and got it home the salt came without an order and I gave Chamberlin from under my hand to pay mr Peabody for the salt

6th I workt at the Little meadow and settled the Differance between Benjn Smith and I

7th I went to Goffes mill and got a bushell of rie ground and pd Madm Goffe 16s/ for my ferriage and a jill of Rum I had when I brot over my salt and pd Mrs Smith 5s/ that she overpaid me when she had ½ a bushell of salt from me on the 5th Instant and I got 4 barrels of Cyder from my bror Samuel

8th I had my brors Samuels young oxen and I carted 655 feet of boards to my place between and New Boston I went away the sun about an hour high and got home between 6 and 8 a Clock

9th I got 2 barrels of Cyder from my bror Samuell one of them was Clear the other Water Cyder

10th I finished makeing the Division fence between Benjn Smith and I and sowed about ½ the lott no 60 in the Little meadow

12th I gave William Nutt a prize wart for a 2 year old Heifer he pounded this morning and writ 5 advertisements for her and recd £ 625 old Tenor and £ 30 of the Intrest and there remains £ 22 yet for which he gave a note on Demand and I pd James Lyon £ 5 for 2 piggs I had of him last spring and 25/ towards the Cloath he is weaving for us and paid a Note of £ 21 which I borrowed the 6th of March 1759 and its Intrest Amounting in the wole to £ 28–10–0

13th I got a bushell of rie ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and I let John Clogston have a bushell of salt by his Daughter Betty and went in the aternoon to James Caldwells and Divided his land in Equal halves and paid him off for £ 7½ of wool that my wife got from him last summer 40/ I gave him before he went to Rhod Island and £ 3 he alowed me for my service and 6–5–0 I pd him this day in cash which pid off the wooll and John Bell Junr got a bushell of salt

14th I gave Lieut Moor a prize wart for a steer he pounded the 12th Instant and I went with Samll Patterson and run the Lines round his Land and paid him for what salmon I had more than him last year while we were partners

15th was the Fast preparatory for the Sacrement in Bedford

16th I pd Matthew Little what I owed him being 10–2–4 all but 10 pence and I got ¼ of a pound of Tea of Mrs Gillmore unpd and I swore the prisers of the steer Lieut Moor pounded on the 12th Instant and taxed the bill of Costs and Sent 1–5–0 by James Houston to William Blair of New Boston for a Butter tubb I had of him last Winter the price was 1–4–0 and finished Sowing the Grass seed on the Lott in the Little meadow

17th I got 2 bushell of rie ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and I had the Toal

18th I went to Mr Macgregores Meeting and heard him preach but did not hear the text and heard Mr Sherburn in the Evening from

19th I set out for Portsmouth and arived there in the Evening in Company with Robt MacMurphy

24th I arived home again while I was at Portsmouth I obtained a right of Land in Stonington for which I pd 25 £ old Tenor

26th Settled Accts with Gauin Riddel and I owed him £ 8 old Tenor and he owed me 5 pound weight of shingle nails

27th I carried 4 bushell rie to Goffes mill and got 2 of it ground and I had the toal for pay and Left the other 2 there

28th Gauin Riddell got a bushel of Salt from me a £ 6 and I went to Londonderry fair

29th I acknowledged 2 deeds one for Robt MacClure & the other for Ebenr Coston unpd and I recd £ 15 from John Barnet Junr for surveying a peice of Meadow on Chohas and Deeds of the same and I recd £ 9 from Mr Stephen Emerson of Hampsted for Veiwing a lot of Col Atkinsons where hails towns old mills stood on the 2d Instant

30th I had my bridle and the of stirrups off my saddle Stole in the Fair and some Starch cut off my saddle baggs and I bargained for an Ox from Robt MacMurphy for 120 £

31st I came home again

NOVEMBER 2d

I attended att session in Bedford as an Evidence in Richard MacAllesters and James Littles case and I recd 2-10-0 old Tenor from John Bell Junr and there fell a snow which was the first this year

3d I helped my Bror to butcher a Cow and I sold 2 rights and ½ in the Common in Goffes town to Jonathan Martain for his Wages as a Chainman in the year 1750 a planing Conneticutt and great shugar rivers pr the Governors order

4th I vendued James Houstons place for him it went off at 1120 pound old Tenor to Joseph Scobey and his ½ right in the Sceen at Litchfield to Joseph Brown for 60 £ O:T: and his Grindstone Crank and frame to Robt Morrial for 18 £ & I got a sermon of Mr Ralp Erskine from Hugh McInnish and did not pay for it and I pd Robt Walker 4 £ old Tenor for 2 piggs I had of him this Summer

6th I was taken unwell and continued so until the 9th

9th Margaret Wallace came to our house to spin for a week and I went and 2 bushell of rie ground at Goffes mills and I had the toal and I paid 20 Shillings old Tenor for it and the toal of 2 bushell I had ground there the 17th of last month

10th the night before and this morning fell a little snow and some rain and I got a bushell of corn from Clogston

11th I and Jonas went and got 9 bushell of Potatoes from Thos Boies there was 2½ of the New Sort and I gave him 12-10-0 old Tenor toward them and I Writ a Deed for James Linn to Nathaniel Robinson to be toward Weaveing the price 20/

12th I set out about sunset for Dunstable & Lodged at William Pattens

13th I went to Dunstable and got 1½ bushel of Corn frm John Clogston and gave him 12-10-0 old Tenor and came and lodged at James Mathies

14th I got the Bushel and half ground at Capt Chamberlins and I had the toal and came home

15th I went to Mr Macgregores meeting in Londonderry and heard him Lecture in the forenoon from the beginning of the 3d Chap of St John and preach in the afternoon from

16th I got a new shoe for my mares fore foot from John Liveingston and pd him 25/ for it and I got a new bridle from William Aeyers and pd him 5-10-0 for it and I went and Lodged at Major Tolfords

17th I got a side of sole Lether from Mr John Roby that he Tanned for me the Tanning came to 14-3-0 and I pd him 15-12-6 and got no change and I got an ox from Robt Macmurphy at 120 £ and I pd him 31-5-0 and gave him a note on Doctor Mooers of 22 £ and got a pound of snuff from Robt Macneill and pd 2-8-0 for it and came home in the Evening

20th Richard MacAllester and my bror helped me to butcher the Ox I had of my brother in Law he weighed 505 pound of beaf and 85 of a hide and 19 £ of Tallow and I drawed an acct for Benjn Stevens and swore him to it he promised to send me a bushell of Turnips to Lieut Moors

21st I Writ and acknowledged a power of attorney for Thos Mathies

charged 30/ unpd and another for Benj Stevens he brought me ½ a bushell of turnips and there remains of the acct and power due to me 45/ old Tenor unpd

23d I got 2½ bushell of Potatoes from Deacon William Moors Wife and pd and I Vendued Garret Rowans place of New Boston it was struck off to John Bell Junr for 970 pound

25th I went to Deacon William Moors and paid his Wife 3 £ old Tenor for a bushell and half of the Potatoes and left 2–5–0 with his Wife for him for another bushel and Swore Jas Underwood and William Read to the apprisement of Thos Bixbys Estate and recd 1–5–0 and the night following I writ 2 deeds one from Samuel Richards to Ebenezar Hacket to Richards I recd 3–2–6 from Richards for his part and Hackets is yet due

26th I gave William Alld a Notification to Capt James Rodgers to hear some affidavits taken the 27th

27th I went to David Burns and Divided his place and writ a Deed from him to his son and Acknowledged it and Acknowledged a deed from his son to him and Charged him a dollar and came to William Allds and writ 5 Depositions for him in his Case with Major Rodgers and I tarried all night at his house and recd 3–2–6 for my pains

28th I run Lines for Joseph Scobey my charge is 5 pounds it is unpaid

30th I run lines for Jas Patterson about ½ the day and I recd an order from Leonard Harriman on John Goffe for 6 £ old Tenor on Obidiah Haws acct and Hannah Davis came to our house to spinn

DECEMBER

1st there fell a snow about 5 or 6 inches Deep and I got a bushell of Corn from Saml Patterson for recording his Deed from James Walker to him and I got it Ground and a bushel of Rie at Coll Goffes mill

3d was the General Thanksgiveing and in the evening I got 10½ yds of Worsted and Wool Cloath that James Lyon Wove for us at 10/ pr yd the peice of Cloath he wove for us this fall was 15/ pr yd Weaveing

4th I sett out for Mr Robt Calfs with the 2 peices of Cloath that Lyon wove for us the first peice measured almost 16 yds pr Calfs Measure to be Dressed and Delivered it this Evening and went and Lodged at John Pattens

5th I came home again

7th I spent the day a following a Bears tract and I got a pound of Butter from Hugh Riddels wife a 14/ not paid and I took off 12 sticks of slit work and 2 plank for Cart fellows that Joseph Houston sawed for me he spoiled 4 plank and 1 logg for slit work that I did not take and I drawed a compt and wart for Lydia Murdough against Charles Black

8th was the tryal between Lydia & Charles he was adjudged to pay costs and be bound to his Good beheavour

10th I went to Merrymac and carried a bushel of Rie with me and I got 2 bushell of Corn from James Mathies unpd and I got ½ £ of tea & ½ £ of Powder & ½ £ of Jenger from Mrs Lutwickie and pd her for them and I pd her ½ a Crown Silver money I owed since the time I got a pair of

Wool Cards and I got the grain Ground at Capt Chamberlins and I had the Toal

11th I writ a Deed from James Caldwell to his son James

16th James Houston set 4 shoes on my Mare and Steeled two of them at heels and toes and charged 40/ old Tenor

19th I borrowed a bushel of Indian Corn from Samll Patterson and Hannah Davis went home who had been here near 4 weeks in all this fall we pd her off before she went away she was at 45/ old Tenor pr week

21st I went to James Mathies and I got 2 bushell of Indian Corn from him and I got it Ground at Col Goffes Mill

22d I gave William Alld a Writ against Andrew Bixby to be tryed the 4th of January Next

23d I Cutt 2 Loggs and Carried them to Lieut Goffes saw Mill

26th I got 2½ bushell of my own Rie ground at Col Goffes Mill

29th I went to Ebenr Hackets to Measure some Land for him that he sold to Ensign Richards and Mr Eaton and tarried at Joseph Kennedys all night

30th I got 2 bushell of turnips from Joseph Kennedy tht he gave me and 1½ bushell from Daniel McKinney for his Heifers going with my Cattle in my field last fall and came home

31st Gave John Blair of new Boston a Writ against Thos Willson of New Boston for Trespass and 3 Summons Charged 6 £ unpd

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settled with Mr Ingales and took a note for 20 and ½ of a Dollar with Intrest till paid I recd 13 bushell of Salt out of it 1 bushell of it I had from Mr Ingales him self at my house price 40/ Mass O: T: and 12 bushel of Mr Peabodys but has not had an Acct from him whether he will alow it

2d I got 6½ bushell of Corn from Samll Patterson by the way of borrowing and got it ground at Col Goffes Mill and got ½ a bushell of Toal from Lieut Smith and gave him 3 £ old Tenor and got no change

3d Mr Houston was Way from home

4th I carried some Woolen yarn to William Nutt to be Wove

9th I got 2 bushell of Indian corn from Samll Patterson

12th I went to Mr Calfs and got 8 yds of Dressed Cloath and he charged 6/s per yd old Tenor and I pd him an 15/ over towards a peice he is a dressing for my own wear and came and Lodged at my bro in Laws

13th William Nutt brot home 6½ yds of cloath that he made of the yarn I carried to him the 4th Instant and I came home again

14th Jas Houston made rings and staples for to draw a Slea with and 2 Grips and charged 20s/ old tenor

17th Mr Wilkins preached in Bedford Meeting house from the 19th verse of the 7th Chapter of St Johns Gospel

19th I went to Mr Lutwyckes and got 13-10-6 worth from him on Credit and I paid Joseph Farmer 3 £ old Tenor being what I owed him toward 2 bushell of Corn I had from him last year the rest was pd in writings & 2 acknowledgements

20th I butchered 3 spring pigs

21st I went to my new place

22d I erected a Shede to put hay in and went to Deacon Cochrans and Lodged all night and my wife got 4 bushell of Rie from John Clogston

23d I got a tub of And part of a pail full of butter from James Hunter and paid his wife 5 peistereens and 14 £ in paper money old Tenr and came home in the Evening What butter was in the pail weighed 11½ £ the pail weighed 5½ £ the Tub and butter Weighed 43 £ the Tub weighed 7½ £ The butter weighed 35¼ £ the whole butter weighed 46¾ £ amounting in the whole at 4s/ pr £ Mass old Tenor comes to 24 £ 18s/ 8d New Hampr old Tenor & there is yet due to Hunter for the Butter 4-18-8 old Tenor

25th I got the 4 bushell of Rie that my wife got from Clogston last week ground and I writ a Deed from Col: Goffe to Anthony Emery and a Mortge from him to Goffe again and five Notes and Charged Emery £5 but he did not pay Col: pd 20s/

26 Benjn Smith paid me for the Damage he did me last summer in my Meadow and I Let him have my oxen to day to help pay what help I had of his oxen last Winter drawing Fenceing Stuff to my Meadow and James Kennedy set a shoe on my Mares Lame foot for which I paid him 6s/ old Tenor

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27th I went to Litchfield and got 2 bushell of Rie from Widow Bixby and pd her 10 £ for it and pd her 4 £ for James Underwood being of the money I recd from Hugh Gilles for him there remains due to him of what I recd 6s/ old Tenor and I came by Col Goffes and got the 2 bushell of Rie Ground into Meal when I was at mill on the 25th Instant I had the Toal of 4 bushell that I had then Ground which pd the Change 3 £ I pd Lieut Smith on the 2d Instant and 5s/ over & I pd him 4s/ of it this day

28th I paid Robert Smith 24s/ old Tenor and 16s/ by 4 Squares of sashes being what I owed him for Shoemaker work

29th I Cutt wood

30th I attended a town meeting It was a Cold Windy day and Lucey Barron went home who had been here almost 5 weeks she recd ½ £ of whalebone a 3-10-0 and a pound of butter 11s/ and a Quart of Molasses a 16s/ and for what work she has done for us I owe her 6 £ old Tenor yet

31st Mr Houston was in Derryfield

FEBRUARY FIRST

I Qualified Lieut John Moor a Collector of town and Ministers Rates

2d I writ a deed from Lieut Little to John McKinney

3d 4th & 5th I Halled 1008 feet of Boards to the Crotch at New Boston and McDoles path and I brot home 6 Rail Cutts

6th I was called to act as a justice in the Case of Bastardy between Margaret Dayel Compt and John Clogston Respt They agreed the affair My Charge was 12 £ old Tenor I took his word for the Money & I lent him 12 £ in Chash

8th I mended my Slea that Anthony Emery Broke when he had it at

Andover last week my Charge is 40s/ and I took John Thomass Deposition concerning Lieut moors son Daniel & John Jacobs and was on their settlement until two or three a Clock in the morning

9th I got home 3 Rail Cutts and I got 1½ yd of Checkquered Linnen cloath from Hannah Barnet and pd her for it being 3 : 8 : 0 old Tenor

12th I borrowed 6 Dollars from John MacAllester and gave him a note on Demand with Intrest untill paid

13th I pd my Rates to the town and Minister by a 20 pound order to Lieut Moor and recd the change being 3 : 16 : 0

15th I went to Litchfield and had Mr. Clogston horse and I got 2 bushell of Rie and one half bushell of barley from him and carried the Rie to Goffes mill and Lodged at Quigs

16th Mrs Gibson gave me half a bushell of Winter Wheat and I came home and brought the Wheat to Goffes mill and left it and brot the Rie Meal home and Drawed 2 Captions for Robert Walker of Merrymac unpd and gave Thos Murdough a Summons for 2 Evidences and a Notification to James Mathies to hear some affidavits taken at James Walkers on next Monday & got ½ a pound of tea of Madame Lutwychie on Credit

17th I drawed 2 Writs and Summonses for Robert Walker on the accts he gave me yesterday to be tried on the 6th of next march and Drawed a Compt for Lieut Moor against John Jacobs Directed to Col Goffe

18th I assisted the Selectmen on Examining James Little on his Constableship and Matthew Little on his Collectsorhip charged 4 £ unpd

19th I attended as an Evidence in Lieut Moors case with John Jacobs

20th I drawed 2 Writs one for Thos Russ against Thos Campbell Junior of London : derry and one for Captain Parker against George Burroughs of London : derry to be Tried the 8th of next March and Sleded home 6 Rail Cutts from the top of the hill above Linns old place and in the Evening I writ a letter for Mrs Clogston to her Bror John and another to Andrew Walker for Deacon Cochrane and I sent 14s/ old Tenor to Mrs Riddel by her son William for a pound of butter I had off her last faull

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On the 15th John MacLaughlin of New Boston brot me a ½ bushell of Barley unpd

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22 I attended at James Walkers and took 4 Depositions for Thos Murdough against James Mathies to improve at next Inferiour Court And I settled with Thos Campbell for the Writ I Drawed against him for Thos Russ and took his Note for my fee being £ 6 on Demand and took a Note for william Carr for his fee in his own Name being 6 £

23d I cutt wood and Jonas Sleded

24th I attended in the afternoon at Col Goffes in Lieut John Moors case with John Jacobs his case was Quashed by reason that Moor had no Addition

26th I went to Merrymac on James Mathies and Murdoughs Case and tarried all night at Widow Murdoughs

27th was on the same bussness and recd £ 6 old Ten'r from Thomas Murdough toward my pay

MARCH 4th

I borrowed a bushell of Corn from John MacLaughlin Junior and John Dinsmore came to make shoes at my house

5th I had John MacLaughlin Junrs horse and sent Jonas to Capt Chamberlins mill and borrowed 2 bushells of Rie from my bror Samll and he got it and the bushell I had from John MacLaughlin ground into Meal and I had not the Toal as meal and I attended a Meeting of the town of Amherst and Bedford at Bedford meeting house to chuse a Representitive I was chose Moderator by a unanimous choice and Col Goffe was chose Representitive by 46 votes and Capt Barron had 13

6th I had a Court at James Walkers Robt Walker of Merrymac was plant and Thos Walker of London : derry was deft the deft sent Capt Humphry to appear for him but he was called John Humphry but had no addition I judged it not Good for he was Gent and the Deft was Defaulted

8th I settled my accts of Goffes town services all but 4½ days surveying in ye year 1753 when Col Blanchard had a lott laid out and Jonathan Martains right was laid out my bill exclusive of them 4½ days was 3685 £ out of which I had recd 110 £ The balance due to me was 2585 £ for which I recd an order from the commitee on the Treasurer

9th I had James Walkers mare and set out in company with him and James Karr for Hampstead and Lodged at Stephen Nights my expenses was 3–15–0

10th I came to Major Tolfords and went to Mr John Robys and got a side of upper Leather he tanned and Curied the Hide and he took the half I got 2 skins that he charged 3–17–0 O : T : for the 2 skins and I settled for them and a hide of upper Leather I had from him Last Novbr of 11–15–0 price and pd him 14–2–6 and 1–9–6 I pd him for this when I got it made 15–12–0 being the whole of what I owed him

11th I was at Major Tolfords all day and we Viz the Heirs of My father in Law sold our Right in Beningtown to James Breakinridge for 80 Dollars and Samson Moor gave his note for the money I lodged at my Mother in laws and Jean Tolford gave us 2 Chees and some other things

12th I came home again

14th Mr Houston was in Merrymac

15th John Dinsmoor finished makeing & mending shoes he made a pair for me and 2 pair for my wife and one pair for my mother and a pair for David mine was 40s/ and ye womens was 36s/ pr pair Davids was 15s/ and the mending was 3 £ I pd him 6–5–0 and 2–10–0 by sole leather for a pair of shoes and I owe him 2–8–0 yet

16th I had Matthew Littles horse and James Patterson and his horse and we went to the Near meadow and we got about ½ a Mile and broke one side of the slea down and was obliged to leave our Load all but 4 bundles We bound up and carried home on the horses backs and I strained my right Knee so that I was in much pain with it and was not able to make any help to Move with it my wife anointed it with some ointment my mother made and some Oyl of turpintine and it got easyer by morning

17th I workt at makeing of a slea but was not very well all day and I borrowed John MacLaughlins horse and my wife went to her bror Alexanders to see his son John who was Very Ill there was no life Expected for him

18th finished makeing my slea and my Wife came home

19th I tackled my oxen single like horses and went and brot home the hay that I left on the broken slea on the 16th

20th I drove out to the near Meadow and brot home the remainder of the Stack bottom that Wm Barnett and I had together

21st was a Snowy Day throughout

22d James Houston made me 4 steples 2 rings and 2 links for tackling my Oxen single of his Iron and charged me 3 £ old Tenor

23d I made 2 single yolks for my oxen and fitted them for Drawing like Horses & I gave John Davis 20s/ and he brot me more than ½ a bushell of turnips

24th I drove to the near meadow and brot home a Jag of hay in the Evening it snowed about 2 or 3 inches deep

25th I borrowed 2 Dollars and 2 pistereens from John Bell Junr and Set out for Haverhill and Went to John Moors in Cannada and turned and went no farther and I recd a Dollar from Eben Hacket

26th I put new slats in my Slea and I sent John Bell Junr 2 Dollars and his 2 pistereens to him by his bror Jas

27th I brot home another Jag of hay and Capt Blair brot us a parel of Potatoes

29th I borrowed 1½ bushell of Indian corn from Gan Riddell and had his mare to take it to mill but did not get it Ground for Col Goffes mill Dam was broke

30th I sent Jonas to Capt Chamberlin with the 1½ bushell of Corn that I had yesterday from Gan Riddell with his mare and I had the toal and I got by Jonas ½ £ of tea and ½ £ of shugar from Mr Lutwycke on Credit

31st I went to Near meadow and got a Jag of hay and attended the annual Meeting and was chose Clerk and surveyor of Lumber and Commissioner for assessment

APRIL 2d

I went to the Near meadow and brot a jag of Hay as far as William Barnets it proved a Very stormy day of Rain and Snow by turns

3d Jonas went and brot the Jag of hay home that I left yesterday at William Barnets

4th I went to London derry and hear Mr MacGregore preach

5th I had Robt Macmurphys Mare and went to Haverhill and Signed a Bond to the Massachusetts Treasurer to the performance of the Duty on a tract of Land below Penobscutt River in which I am a Grantee and Lodged at Mr James Duncans

6th Came to London derry and Lodged at Lieut Duncans

7th I came home and in my way I bot a pound of Brimstone at Mert Wm Duncans and pd 16/ old Tenor for it

8th I spent the day in takeing the Invoice on the River range which I compleated Except Capt Barron Clogston and Matthew Little

9th our March meeting was held by adjournment and I was chose one of a Commitee to build the Pulpit with John Wallace and Hugh Riddell and was Qualified by Col Goffe as Surveyor of Lumber

10th I borrowed 2 bushell of Indian Corn from Lieut Moor and had Gilmors horse and Jonas Carried it to Col Goffes Mill and got it Ground and I spent about ½ a day takeing and Casting up the Invoice

12th I drawed a Compt and Wart for Caleb Jones against Rachel Hutchinson Wife to Capt Hutchinson there was 10 supeneas the Cost 9-6-8 old Tenor not pd

13th I spent the afternoon in takeing the Invoice from William Holms along to Voces and round as far as Deacon Walkers

14th I spent the whole of the day a takeing the Invoice from Gan Riddells by Morrials Jos Thos MacClearys and the whole of the south end of the town up as far as MacDuffeys ending at James Mathies

16th I split pine wood at the House

20th I borrowed a bushell of Indian corn from Willm Barnet and had his Mare to Goffes mill with it and I went out to my new place and fenced up my hay and raked the ground round my Havil and I took William Holms and Thos Boies Invoice

21st Jonas got William Thompsons horse and took 2 bushell of Rie to Goffes mill that I borrowed from my bror Samuell and went to James Walkers and writ a Deed from Robt Mathies to James Karr and charged 40/ & he paid the money and 40/ towards recording his Deed from me to him

22d I went to the Raising of Lieut Moors barn and Vendued James Kennedy place in the Evening

23d I writ a Deed from James Kennedy to John Goffe of his place at 300 £ old Tenor Goffe owes me 20/ O: T:

25th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

28th was the Provincial Fast

29th I went to make a cannoe for James Patterson but Col Goffe sent a line to my by John Secomb to go to his house to writ a deed from Widow Rand to him which I did and Mrs Rand pd me 20/

30th I made 2 oars and 2 padles for Mr Molton & Mr Johnson and Johnson pd me 3-2-6 for them and I went in the afternoon and I pitched John Goffes Cannoe for James Patterson to take down the River and I filled a writ for Samuell Patten against Robert Gillmor of Merrymac

MAY FIRST

I filled another writ for Samuell Patten against Robt Gillmor and one for him against Ensign Usher and one against Moses Gile

2d Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

3d I got James Lyons Mare and 3 Dollars from my bror Samuell and Set out for Haverhill and lodged at James Willsons

4th I Delivered a Cow hide and 2 calf skins to John Robyson at his house

in Chester and went to Haverhill and got 4 bushell of Indian corn and pd 6-12-0 Mass old Tenor for it and came to my Mother in laws

5th Robt MacMurphy ground it and took no Toal and John Livingstone set a shoe and I pd him 6/ for it and I came home and I had my near Ox mired in the upper end of my meadow he could not stand when he was got out

6th I spent the day in working with the ox and my off ox mired in Chandlers field and lay in all night and I got a Quart of rum from Matthew Little on Credit

7th we found the off ox and got him drawed out of the mire by Samuell Patten Samuell and Nathaniel Patterson and he traviled up to my brors barn but could not stand afterward and my bror yocked his oxen and drawed home my near ox who could not stand and I got ½ a peck of small Ears of Corn from William Barnett and a little armful of hay from Matthw Little to give them and I went home with Thos Halls fly net and I pd Samuell Patterson a bushell of meal weighing £ 55½

8th I found that my off ox had put his off hip out of Joynt and I got him haulled home by my brors oxen to my barn and my bror and his Wife and Mr Sullivan helped me to trist them up in the Barn so as to stand on their feet and I sent Jonas to Deacon Gillmors and got 3 bundles of Stalks and I went to Mr MacDuffees and got about 28 £ of hay but he would not Weigh it but I did after I came home

10th I was at Col Goffes at Where was to be several Courts for Debt but they agreed

11th I got a hundred of hay from Matthew MacDuffee he would not make a Charge of it and I Drawed out Thos Smiths acct and sent it to him by Thos Kennedy and the Deed he lodged with me of his place to his Sons for. which he sent a writen order and Kennedy signed a receipt

12th I filled a Court Writ for Capt Martain against Parish Richardson on a note of 35 £ old Tenor not pd

13th I filled a Writ for Hugh Miller against William Rogers and Arthur Archibald pr Desire of Capt Abbott and he pd me 6-5-0 there was two summons

14th We planted some potatoes in the garden Beans and some Turky wheat we have 117 hills of the new sort of potatoes in the Garden and I went to Namskeeg and got in at the setting place for ½ a Share and Mrs Hall gave me about the third of a Salmon that would Weigh I suppose 14 £ and I came to the Seen at Piscataquog and I bot 3 shad for 9s/ from them

15th I got 10 Quarts of seed Corn from James Walker he would not take anything for it

17th I pd Jos Bell 5-1-0 toward what Shoes he made for me last Winter and Jonas Went and fished at the setting place and got 5 shad and I went to the falls and Thos Karr gave me 5

18th I went to the Falls and tarried there untill the 22d at night and I sent home 343 shad and I sold 44 at 3s/ apeice

23d my off ox died who put out his other Hip about the middle of last week he was not able to use his limbs

24th I skinned my ox whose hide Weighed £ and the remainder of the

day I spent in planing at London derrys proprs and Jonathan Chamberlins Controverted Land

25th I finished the plan and went in the afternoon to Col Goffes and attested it and went to Amoskeeg in the Evening

26th Deacon Robert Walker and I fished together and Catched 230 Shad he wanted none of them and I sent to Jonas and he came and took home 120 of them with the old Mare on Samuell Pattersons Trucks

27th Jonas was late in coming and I let John Thomas have 30 Shad and Capt Minot and David Burns have 80 Capt Minot paying all but 4/ old Tenor and David Burns All but 14/8 old Tenor and I came home and got Gauin Riddells mare and a johanna of 8 Dollars and set out for Haverhill and lodged at my mother in Laws

28th I got 12 bushell of corn from Mrs Duncan and paid her the Johanna I borrowed from her bror and a Dollar and 3/ of my own I left 6 Bushell there and 4 I brot and 2 that Deacon William Moor brot for which I am to bring him 2 again and came and Lodged at John Moors in Cannada

29th I got it ground at Col Goffes mill and I had the Toal of 4 bushell for which I pd 24/ and I pd Samuell Moor ½ a bushell of Corn that Jonathan Chamberlin borrowed for me on the 24th Instant

31st I pd Samuell Patterson a bushell of Meal and I went to Amoskeeg but Got only 1 shad and I paid Lieut Hall 20s/ he lent me one morning to get a Gallon of Cydar from Mr Russ and Mr Houston brot a letter signed by himself to have me come on Thursday next to confer concerning the reasons of my absenting from communion

JUNE FIRST

I Writ him an answer

2d I went to Amoskeig falls and got 15 Shad

3d I got 49 shad

4th I got 60 shad and 2 salmon one I throwed into the company the other Robert Macmurphy had & I pd Mr Russ my fishing expenses and James Duncan came to see me concerning my going to the Eastward to survey

5th I got 40 shad and I paid Thos Hall my fishing Expenses I got home this week 49 shad and 2 halves of Salmon the rest of the shad I sold and I sold 22 Shad to James Aiken of Chester a 2s/ apeice and he would not pay me

8th I had Hugh Riddells horse and set out for Haverhill and Lodged at my Mother in Laws

9th I Delivered my ox hide to John Roby it weighed 45 £ and I went to Haverhill and I got 17½ bushell and a half of corn Measured up and I am to have it on condition that I go to the Eastward to survey and I brot 4 bushell away and Lodged at my mother in Laws

10th I came home and I brot 12 £ of Rice for Mrs Riddell from Mrs McHard

11th I went to Amoskeig and I catched a Salmon of 11½ £

12th I got 10 shad and came home and pd Samuell Patterson a bushell of Meal and I went to Litchfield to try to get Capt Parkers fly net but did not get it for he was not at home

13th I went to Londonderry to Mr MacGregores Meeting and came home in the Evening

14th I went to Thos Halls to get his fly net but did not get it

15th I attended at the Meeting house in Bedford in order to answer to Mr Houston at the Presbetry previous to Which Mr MacGregore preached a sermon from the 2d Chapter of 2d Corinthians and the latter part of the 16th verse and the case came on about Sun set and continued untill a considerable of a Candle was burnt in the Evening and then the Presbetry adjourned to the Next morning

16th I attended again at the meeting house the Presbetry thought fit to urge a Conferance which I granted provided Mr Houston would give from under his hand that he Would take no advantage I offered to do the same to him The Presbetry had to urge him a considerable deal before he would give his word which he did at length and then the Conferance began about 10 of the Clock & continued untill 2 at Which time the Presy went to Dinner Except Mr MacGregore who tarried and Drawed up an advice of the Presby to the partys when we met and heard it I refused to comply Mr Houston did comply after a Great deal of Disputing the Presby voted unanimously that Mr Houston should give in his accusation against me in Writing signed by his hand if he intended to have the Matter prosecuted any farther which he absolutely refused to do and there the affair rests at present

17th I went to work at Amoskieg falls ½ the day with Thos Hall Thos MacLaughlin & Samuel Richards to blow a place to fish at above the common setting place we bored 2 Holes a little into the Rock in order to blow and beat off a considerable Quantity with a stone hammer I got 2 shad & I pd John MacLaughlin a bushell of corn I borrowed off him the 4th of last March

18th I went to work at Amoskieg I work ½ the day at the place I was at yesterday I got the one half of a little salmon and 3 shad

19th I went to Amoskieg to Russes and I was accepted into a Company that had Made a place to set fish on above the Pulpitt we signed articles how to improve the same

21st James Houston sett 2 shoes on my mares fore feet he charged 12s/ and I attended on the Selectmen the afternoon I designed to charge 3 £ old Tenor I drawed 3 Warts for three of the Surveyors of highways and went with my compass to help them to lay out a road from the river road to that which goes from my house to the Meeting house and I drawed the return

22d I went to Thos Shirleys and Alexr Kellihers to barn raisings and I got 161 Cabage and 55 French turnips plants from Thos Shirley

23d I got two salmon that weighed 20¾ that we catched the night before a setting the Net pattersons must have 2 among them to be equal with me

24th I workt at Amoskeig above the setting place all the partners was present my bror Samll was Voted in at Halls in the Evening and I took a salmon to halls that afternoon and I catched the night before

25th Pattersons and I catched 2 Salmon that we had 20¾ they had them which makes us Even

26th I workt at Amoskeig above the setting place

27th Mr MacGregore preached in Bedford from the 36 verse of the 8th chapter of John

28th Samuell Patterson and I got 2 salmon by setting that weighed 25 £ he had them both and I gave James Thomas a Letter that I writ for his father to John Nelson Esqr of Portsmouth and I drawed a Writ and summons for John Bell Junr against Jas Scot to be signed and Tryed by Justice Walker on Tuesday the 6th of July next Patterson afterwards sent my part of the 2 Salmon and my Wife came home from her mothers & I got 70 or 80 cabage plant from Robt Gillmors Junr

29th Pattersons and I got a samon and I had it & I went to Amoskeig and I catched 1 Salmon and 2 shad

30th I butchered a Calf of our own that weighed 32½ £ I gave my Bror Samuell one fore quarter and I lent Mrs Hannah Barnett a hind quarter

JULY FIRST

I fell a white pine for clapboards on my lott by Linns and got the Liberty from Richard MacAllester for my pick of one tree on his lott

2d I spent the day in Guming wheting and Setting Bushnells old cross Cutt saw

3d I workt at makeing Rakes for John Thomas & Pattersons and I got 2 salmon one by setting and one by drawing I had the ½ of one withe these 2 we have got 18 this summer I have got 5

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JULY 3 1762

5th Pattersons and I got 4 salmon by setting that weighed 57 £ and one yesterday morning that weighed 9 £ we divided in Even shares but afterwards the Gave Deacon Walker one of 8 £ wt after it was split open which came off the whole head

6th was a court before Justice Walker at Thos Halls between John Bell Junr and James Scot I assisted Bell and Jos Scobey he pd me 3 £ for a days running the lines for him last fall round his place

7th Pattersons and I catched 4 salmon by drawing weiged 67 £ we equalled the salmon that Deacon Walker got and sent 2 to Thos Hall and divided so that I was not indebted to them nor they to me and I drawed a Recognisance bond for Justice Walker from Scot to Bell he gave me 4 £ for it

8th we got 2 Salmon one by setting and one by hauling weighed 21 £ I had one that weighed 12 £ which is 5 pound more than my part and in the Evening we catched one by haulling that weighed 10 £ and I had it

9th I had Gauin Riddels Mare and went to Andover and Lodged at Mr Ingalls & I borrowed 3 Crowns in silver from my bror Samuell

10th I recd 2 dollars from Mr Ingalls of his note and went to Haverhill and got ½ a bushell of corn from Mrs Duncan and 14 £ of rie ½ an ounce of nutmeg and 100 of board nails and paid her for them being 2–9–0 Mass O: T: and brot the 2 bushell I had there before away and 2 bushell of Deacon William Moors for the 2 bushells he brought from Haverhill for me this summer & I came home in the Evening

11th Mr Houston was assisting Mr Mitchell at the Sacrament in Pembroke

12th I got the 2½ bushell of Corn Ground at Col Goffes and 3 pecks of Rie I had from John Thomas and I had the Toal and I had the Toal of Deacon Moors 2 bushell of Corn that I brought up and on the 9th I pd Samuell Moor 20s/ toward the toal of what I had ground there last being almost 3 bushells of Indian and 3 pecks of Rie

13th Jonas and I sawed shingle Stuff between and Linns old place

14th I workt at Amoskeig above the Setting place

15th workt at the same place and Jonas workt about ⅔ of the day with John Bell Junr and Jonas tarried over night without Leave

16th I prepared my answer of Defence to the Citation from the Session to appear next Tuesday

17th Pattersons and I got 4 salmon at their brook 2 by setting and 2 at Cold brook by drawing they weighed 66 £ I got 21 £ and our Cherry cow took Bull

18th I went to Londonderry to Mr MacGregores Meeting and heard him Lecture in the forenoon from the first 16 Verses of the 11th Chapter of St John and preach in the afternoon from the

19th Pattersons and I had 8 salmon weighing about 100 £ one of them was Spoiled in the Water and in the Evening we catched 3 that Weighed 34 £ and the black cow took bull

20th in the morning about 1½ half before day William Karr took me with Samuell and James Patterson with a Warrant taken out by John Goffe Concerning fishing at the Mouth of Crosbees Brook the Wart came out from Justice Walker we Were to meet at James Walkers at 12 of the Clock We agreed and Goffe paid the Costs he gave me 3-2-6 for my day the whole cost amounted to 90-6-6 there was about 12£/12 abated by the sherrif and one of the Guard we brok up about 11 a'Clock at night we had 2 Salmon in our net in the morning

21st I mended Samuell Pattersons little Cart truck

22d I set out for Corn and I had George Pearsons horse and my own Mare and I lodged at David Curriers at Providence

23d I went to Ipswich and got 8 bushell of Corn at 32/6 per bushell and came to Curriers that night & I got ⅛ of a hundred of Rice from Mrs Duncan

24th I came home

25th Mr Houston was in Litchfield

26th I got the 8 bushell of corn ground at Goffes mill and I had the Toal and I had George Pearsons horse to mill

27th I butchered a Lamb that weighed 33 £

28th I lent George Pearsons 56¼ £ Indian Meal and I am to have the same weight of Rie meal for it next week and I drawed a Complaint for Samuell and James Patterson and myself against John Goffe for takeing a salmon out of our net on the 13th Instant and went to Justice Walkers with it and Rid Pattersons horse & James houston made me of my iron 2 nibs one heel ring and 2 set of Wedges

29th I began to Mow at home in the afternoon

30th We had a prety little rain that refresht the earth considerable and I pd Samuell Patterson a bushell of meal and 2½ £ over and I writ a letter to Mr Sullivan and I Strained my left foot just below my acle as I Sit Writing at the Table and was in great pain with it the night following

31st I lay by with the Strain I got yesterday and I writ a letter to Alexander Orr concerning my Trapps and I pd Lieut Moor 2 bushell of Meal being 110 £ in the room of 2 bushell of Corn I borrowed from him the 10th of last April

AUGUST

2d being Monday I went and began to Mow in the near Meadow and Mr Sigeones lott

3d I finished it and came home

4th I went with Lieut Samuell Morrison to Merrymac and Settled accts with James Mathies and for an order that Morrison and Capt MacNutt I gave him for 12 Dollars and I gave him a note for 3 Dollars or twenty pounds old Tenor the settlement between Mathies & I was made by the advice of Lieut Morrison Capt John Stark and Thos Hall and I came home in the evening

6th I finished Stakeing at the near meadow I had 23 Cocks in Number some of them were small at the near meadow

7th I mowed some at home and there was an acct come that the fire had broke out at Daniel Moors and was like to do great mischief Jonas and I went as far as Strawberry Hill and met John MacLaughlin & Gan Riddell comeing back who gave an acct that the fire was got confined and we returned home again and got a Quart of rum from Matthew Little

8th Mr Houston was in Goffstown

9th I helped George Pearson in the forenoon he mowed what was within Chandler's fence of my grass and Cocked it and I mowed the afternoon at home

10th I mowed at home and about one or two of the Clock Hugh Riddell brought a Summons from the Session to appear at the Meeting house on the 23d Instant at 10 of the Clock a forenoon to answer to the charge exhibited on the 30th of last June by the Session

12th I mowed above the croth of the brook in the Meadow at home

13th I had my brors Oxen and Cart and carted in 50 cocks and I got a quart of rum from Matthew Little

14th I went away in the Evening to help put out a fire that James Barr set at his house yesterday I workt untill the Middle of the Night and then came home and got to bed about break of day

15th being Sabathday I workt at aforesaid fire

16th I workt at Amoskieg above the old setting place

17th Francis Barnett and Lieut Little helped me Mow in the Little meadow We mowed all on the west side of the brook in my lower meadow Exceept a Slip by Deacon Moors fence and I got a quart of rum from Matthew Little

18th was a rainy day but not a great deal of rain

19th I turned hay and Mowed and raked 5 cocks at the little Meadow and I butchered the horned Ewe she weighed 44 £

20th was a Considerable Quantity of rain and I prepared for the trial at the Session to be next monday

21st George Pearson paid me 9½ £ of meal towards the 56¼ £ he borrowed on the 28th of July last and James Caldwell and his son James helped me Rake hay in the Little meadow and we raked 47 cocks if we did not miscount

23d Was my brors trial and mine at the Sessions they gave no Judgment but Referred of themselves to the next Presbytery at Bedford either stated or provenata

25th James Houston sett 2 shoes on my Mares fore feet the charge is 12s/ old Tenor and I borrowed a bushell of Rie from old John Bell

28th I workt at Amoskeig falls above the setting place

30th George Pearsons wife paid us 39 £ of meal that he borrowed on the 28th of last July and I hunted pigeons I got 40 and shot six times

31st George Pearsons wife paid the remainder of the meal he borrowed the 28th of last July and I finished writing 8 advertisements for Archibald MacAllester for the sale of his place and I gave John Goffe the Invoice of Bedford

SEPTEMBER

3d I finished mowing at the Little meadow

4th James Caldwell Junr and William Wallace helped me to Stack and Rake hay

5th Mr Houston preached in Goffestown

6th I got Gawin Riddells Mare and I set out for Portsmouth and I borrowed 46 £ old Tenor from my mother

7th I arrived there in the Evening

8th I took the oaths of a Justice

9th I went to the Governor and returned him thanks and I got the Commission in the Evening and set out in Company with Lieut MacMurphy and his bror Archibald and came as far as Kings town and my boys got 2 bushell of Rie meal from Alexander Macmurphy

10th Major Tolfords wife Gave me a bushell of wheat and 2 Cheeses and I came home in the Evening

11th I butchered Susannas pet Ewe she weighed 39½

13th Hannah Davis came to our house to spin

14th I vendued Archibald MacAllesters place and drawed the Writings it was sold to James Wallace for 1640 £ old Tenor and I charged MacAllister a Dollar for Writing the advertisements Venduing Deed &c and I charged Wallace for notes and acknowledgments 25/ old Tenor all unpd

15th I run a line between Fergus Kennedy and James Voce and I charged 40/ and Kennedy paid me the half of it and did a small Job for Richard MacAllester with my Compass and I run the north Line of Gauin Riddells Lott and charged 40s/

16th I run lines between John MacLaughlin and the two Bells and Divided the place between the two Bells I charged 5 £ for the whole John MacLaughlins part ought to be one quarter

17th In the afternoon I went with Mr Sullivan to Matthew Littles and

helped them to settle their accts and got home about the middle of th Night they past Receipts

18th I recorded the Province List of Rates and Wart

20th was a town meeting which I attended the wart was dated the 4th of September 1762 and was ordered to be held the 20th of next September Ensueing but was held this day

25th I had John Clogstons mare and went with Mr John Fowle to Wilton to take the acknowledgement of a Deed from Benj Buxton to him Lodged at Mr Butterfields over the Sabath

26th Mr Houston was in Goffstown

27th I came home again Mr Fowle gave me a Note of 12 £ old Tenor for my pay

28th I vendued Ebenezr Johnsons place he has not paid me the charge is a Dollar

The following part of the week I ractified my cart body

OCTOBER 4th

I run lines for Francis Barnett for his helping me mow in the Little meadow on the 19th of last August

5th William Thompson got me to go to Ensign Reeds to Swear Evidences in the case that was to be referred between him and John Blairs executors but the executors did not come and Mr Houston brot a Citation for me to appear at a Presbytry to be held at the Meeting house in Bedford on the Nineteenth Instant to answer to the Articles of Charge Exhibited against me in the Session on the 30th of last June

6th I Drawed an acct for Robert Kennedy of Lo: Derry and swore him to it and Drawed a power and acknowledged it and charged him 40s/ unpaid and drawed a power for Samuell Killpatrick and he paid me 7/s in silver for it

7th I settled Thos Smiths acct with his Son Reuben and he pd me the ballance being 22–17–5 old Tenor and 20/ over that I could not make the change to pay him and I signed a Writ and summons for Thos Butterfield of Dunstable against Thos Davis of Monson and gave Butterfield a Summons for Witnesses to be tryed on the 15th Instant all unpd and I recorded the Ministers and town Rates and Warrants

8th I went to work at Amoskeig according to appointment but there was none of the partners come and I writ a pair of Indentures for Thos Hall of William Newman and a deed from Hall to said William Newman and took the acknowledgement the charges is 4 £ unpaid

9th I paid James Hunter 4–18–8 old Tenor being the remainder of the price of the Butter I had from him the 23d of last December

12th I finished mixing 40 £ of paint for the Meeting house the Committee found the oyl

13th my bror Samuell raised his house and I writ a Deed from Deacon Riddell to his son Hugh and charged 50s/ acknowledged and all unpd

14 15 16 18 and the 19th untill the middle of the afternoon I helped my bror Samuell at which time my bror and I went to the meeting house to the Presbytery to answer to the Charge Exhibited against us by the Session and tarried untill in the Evening

20th my bror and I attended the Presbytery they voted to hold us to Tryal on the first article notwithstanding our pleas of abatement The Presbytery Judged us Guilty of withdrawing from Mr Houstons performances without Evidences or owing the fact according to the charge as Schismatical and rebuked us to which we submitted and immediately we and James Walker and Richard MacAllester gave a Supplication to Mr Houston for a Dismission

21st Spent ⅔ of the forenoon with widow Carkin who complained of Thos Davis for abuseing but did not give her a wart and Waited on Mr Abercomby untill in the afternoon he Lodged at my house the night before

22d I had my brors oxen and I went to MacAllesters Mill and brought home 753 feet of boards

23d I got ½ a bushell of Indian Corn and ½ a bushell of rie from John Clogston and had it ground at Capt Goffes mill and I went to Willm Macclintocks and left 12 £ old Tenor with his Wife for him on Capt John Starks acct and I paid Hannah Davis 40s/ old Tenor toward her work

25th I held a court in a Case of Trespass wherein Thomas Butterfield of Dunstable was Plant and Thomas Davis of Monson was deft after the examination of the Witnesses and Pleas made the partys agreed the Case I took for my fees 6–17–0 old Tenor Davis paid me the money and I signed a Wart for Sarah Carkin against said Davis for some personal abuse and I paid Samuell Patterson 3–5–0 on William Nutts acct

26th Lieut Little informed me that he Settled my acct with Moses Gile and that there was 13–11–0 old Tenor allowed on the Ballance due to me

28th I killed a pig that weighed 82 £ and swore James Walker and George Person to abide the Judgment of William Thompson Capt Barron & Samuell Patterson their Differance

29th William Barnett helped me to Butcher my ox that weighed 367 £ of beaf and 53½ of a hide and Jonas helped him in the afternoon to Dig potatoes for his helping me butcher and I got one and a half bushel of Indian Corn from John Clogston and got it ground at Col Goffes mill and my bror gave me a barrel of Cydar

30th my boys diged about 2½ bushell of potatoes that my bror gave me and I borrowed ½ a bushel of salt from James Walker and I Coppyd George Persons and James Walkers Deposition for Jonathan Chamberlin to be settled for

31st Mr Houston was in Derryfield

NOVEMBER

1st I went to London: Derry and lodged at my Mother in laws

2d James Houston sett 2 shoes on my mare and I recd 34 Deeds from the Recorder and my Mother in Law gave me 10 £ of Wool

3d I gave Zachariah Stearns a Summons for witnesses to appear at Robert Ushars on Fryday next

5th I went to Robert Ushars and Drawed 11 Depositions and Swore the Deponants and writ the Captions I am to receive 8 £ if Sterns loses the Case but if they gain it I am to have what the court alows

6th I partly filled a Deed from John Harvey to Ebenezer Noyes and acknowledged it and recd the pay for it and for Writing the Mortgage Deed from Ebenezer Robins being 40s/ in all from Harvey

8th I gave Robert Morrial a Coppy of the highway by Richard MacAllesters to his land Charged 20s/ to be paid by the town and I lent my Bror Samuell 4-13-0 old Tenor

9th I finished makeing 12 Window frams for my bror Samuell and began a Washing Tub

10th I went out to yeakum hill and Veiwed some timber that Obidiah Bellnap of Haverhill had cut on Col Blanchards heirs land and came home by Hugh Riddells and I got 3 bushel of potatoes from his son Robert at 45/ per bushell

11th I finished makeing the Washing tub and began another and I writ 4 letters for John Jacobs

12th I went to Litchfield and got 4 bushel of Corn from Daniell Kendall for which I paid him 7 £ silver money and I got it ground at Col Goffes Mill and I had the Toal but did not pay for it

15th I made a washing Tub

16th was to be a Session at which I and my bror and James Walker and Richard Macallester attended but it was no Session 2 of the elders came we confer a while and at last we got to scolding with which it ended and I gave Jonathan Chamberlin a notification to London: Derry Commitee that I inteded to take a plan on Fryday next at ten of the Clock in the forenoon

17th I gave Adrew Bixbe a Writ against John and Abial Abbott of Andover ye charge is 4-4-0 old Tenor unpd and I got John Clogston to come and Butcher 3 hoggs and I went into the woods With 2 of Lieut Heths sons of Roxbury to show them land and they gave me a Dollar for my pains and took me down to James Walkers and they paid for my supper and Drink and I got a bushel of salt from Jonathan Chamberlin delivered at my house by his son

18th was the Provincial Thankesgiveing

19th I went to Jonathan Chamberlins pr order of Court and London :- derry Comtee met me the partys agreed to have plan the premises by the writ without runing the lines and I bought ¼ £ of Indigo a 4 £ 1 ounce of snuff 8s/ 1 Earthen pott 14/ 1 do a 9/4 and Dearning (?) 3/s at William Duncans all on Credit

20th I spent the day a planning London: derry and Chamberlins Controverted land

22 23 & 24 & 25 I was a surveying on London: derry Proprs and Jonathan Chamberlins controversie pr order of the Inferiour Court

26th I sowed a Nursery at my place between and new Boston

27th I workt at planing my work on Chamberlins Controversie

30th I gave William Gembell a Wart of apprizement for 3 Creatures he pounded yesterday in Derryfield pound unpd

DECEMBER

1st John Dinsmoor came here to make shoes

3d Hannah Davis went home who had been here 9 Weeks a 45/ pr week

I let her have a pair of shoes for a fortnights work and the soleing and heel taping a pr and 40 s/ in money pd her all but 12 £ old Tenor

9th William Gamell returned the prize Wart and paid me for it and for taxing and John Dinsmoor finished makeing 8 pair of shoes and I finished makeing a table for Robt Gillmoor Junrs wife

10th John Dinsmoor went to work for James Walker in the morning and I finished a squar table for Thos Millers wife

13th I went with Capt Ferrin to show him my farm up Piscataquog River

14 & 15th I was with Capt Butterfields sons runing the lines of their 2 lotts on the south side of Piscataquog river I had 2 bushell of Indian Corn and 20/ Mass old Tenor for my time and my Expenses born

16th I run the lines of no 3 in the first rang on the south side of Piscataquog river for Antipas Dodges father and Antipas is to let me have 6 bushell of turnips and I went to Esquire Walkers to assist the Selectmen to make the Rates and workt that night at them

17th was on the same I charged 12 £ unpd

18th We finished makeing Rates and I came as far as James Karrs and Wm MacDugal met me there and I run the lines of his Lott and charged him 4 £ unpd

20th I carried yearn to Widow Shiply at Major Moors for 24 yds of checkquered woollen

21st I run lines for John Thomas round Nelsons 3d Division and 1 line for James Voce

22d I went to John Jacobs and got one new shoe made of my Iron and 4 shoes set and a foot put into a pot and he charged 2-8-0 he gave me the setting the 2 shoes for some writing I did for him I could not pay him

23d I was out at the ash swamp with Capt Barron Thos Murdough John Thomas Daniel Moor and James Voce and did one lot for myself

25th I Cleaned our Well and in the Evening I got an order from the Selectmen of 33 £ for takeing the Invoice and for my being town Clerk and for a Coppy of a transcript of a highway to Morrial and ½ a day assisting the selectmen and in the Night there fell a snow about 6 inches deep

27th in the Night following I Writ a deed from Daniell Moor to Capt Barron and one from Barron to Moor and one from Deacon William Boies to Moor and one from James Voce to Moor Voce I forgave Boies paid me and Moor paid me Capt Barron did not pay me his is 40/ and Moor paid me for his part of my time at the Ash swamp last Thursday and I did as much for Jacob Nukerck as I recd 49/ for

28th I got a Quart of Rum from John Bell on Credit and a barrel of Cydar from Capt Barron at 8 £ to be Discounted on a Note of Charles Black that I have

29th My bror made house Warming my wife and I was there and I got an order from Col Goffe on the selectmen of Bedford for his swearing the town officers last March Meeting and I got 24 £ from my mother

30th I sent two Dollars and 3 peistereens and 34 £ old Tenor with John Bell Junr to pennykook to buy Corn from Moses Eastman and I sent a Sack and 4 meal baggs with him

31st I hunted but got nothing

JANUARY FIRST 1763

I borrowed 2 bushell of Indian Corn from John Bell Junr and he told me he bought me 12½ of Indian for me at pennykook and had it filled up into my baggs

In the night following the 2d and on the third day there fell a Snow about 18 inches deep it cleared away about the middle of the day very pleasant

4th in the night foregoing it began to snow and continued snowing untill toward the middle of the day it fell between 2 & 3 inches deep

5th I sent and brot Hannah Davis to our house to help us

6th was appointed to Examine James Little and Samuell Patten on their Constableship and Lieut Moor on his Collectorship there was only Samuell Patten that come and we did nothing and tarried untill in the Evening

7th I borrowed 2 bushell of Corn from John Bell Junr

8th I sent it to Mill but did not get it ground

10th I sent and got it ground and I swore the prisers of the steer that Ebenezer Johnson pounded on the 25th of last Decb^{r} and of the Damages

12th Hannah Davis went home after breakfast and in the Evening it began to snow and continued until next morning there fell a hail in the later part of the storm about 1½ inches thick that made a crust it fell 7½ inches deep and I got a pair of sled sides from William Thompson and he is to have my Wood Sled

15th I went with my steers and Deacon Gillmor Nathaniel Patterson John Clogston and George Pearson and broke to the Little meadow

16th In the Evening it began to snow and continued untill the next day it fell about 7½ inches deep and on the 17th I finished makeing a Sled of the Sides I had from Thompson

19th I had my brors Oxen and Sled and went to the Little meadow for hay

24th I brot a load for him of my hay

26th I drove twice to the meadow and finished I had my brors oxen the whole time I had 8 Jags and I bargained away my Meadow Lott in the ash swamp no 27 to John McConoughy for 14 Dollars and he pd me 6 Dollars in a peice of Goold

27th I went to Barrons Camp and bot 4½ bushell of corn from Moses Barron for 3 dollars

28th I had John Clogstons Mare and went and got 4½ bushell from Moses Barron and got 3½ bushell of it Ground at Caldwells Mill and I had the Toal for pay but could not pay it for want of Change

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JANUARY 28 1763

FEBRUARY FIRST

I went along with my bror Samuell to Daniel Moors Saw Mill and haled in two cutts of slit work that I had lying by Gregs old house

2^{d} there fell about 18 or 19 inches deep of Snow

7th in the morning I went and borrowed 5 Quarts of Rum from Matthew Little and went and got 4 £ of butter from Francis Barnet on Credit and

my Wife had not been well from the fryday morning before grew so bad that I went of in the Evening about 8 or 9 a Clock for woman and got John Browns wife and Hannah Barnett and in the morning of the 8 between midnight and break of day she was Delivered of a Daughter there fell a Snow this night and in the morning about 12 or 13 inches deep the Woman came and went home on snow shoes and I got Esther Patterson to come a day or two to take care of my Wife the snow is in general about 3 feet and 7 inches Deep where it is neither drifted nor bore up by bushes and Very solid

9th Jonas and I shoveled our sled path to the West of all our fields

10th Esther Patterson went home in the morning early and in the afternoon I borrowed a gallon of Rum from Matthew Little and bot 2 £ of shugar from him on Credit

12th John Brown Cutt wood for me and I haulled

14th I halled Wood & we had a ewe lamb a black lamb

15th I gave John McConoughy a Deed of the meadow lot no 27 in the ash swamp and I took his Note for 1-16-0 Sterling on Demand with Intrest untill paid dated the 26th of January last and Esther Patterson washt at our house and I sowed on a pair of Soles on my own shoes

16th there fell a snow about 3 or 4 inches deep this day and the night before and after we had 3 ewes more lamb which brot 4 lambs

17th one of the Twin lambs died and I got a Gallon of Molasses from Capt Barron and I gave Jonathan Chamberlins a summons for Jean Linn to appear tomorrow at Matthew Littles

18th I gave Jonathan Chamberlin a summons for 4 Witnesses more and I went and got some Spruce and I went up to Matthew Littles with George Person and I gave James Walker a Notification to George Person and a Summons to James Walker for 7 Witnesses to be taken tomorrow

19th spent the forenoon with Major Blanchard a planing in London: Derry Proprirs and Jonathan Chamberlins Controversie and in the afternoon I went and took the Depositions for Walker and he lent me a bushell of Corn and Jonas went to Mill with it and I settled with Daniell Ingalls on his Note and for all that I had ever recd from him (viz) one bushell of salt he let me have at my house a 40/ and 12 bushell Jonathn Chamberlin brot me of his partner Mr Peabodys at 25/ pr bushell and 2 Dollars I had In the afternoon there was Ensen Hubbard and William McClure came to have me go with them up to Bakers river to survey and I went and Changed snow Shoes with John Bell in order to fitt out and my wife had got cold whereby she was very much out of case and had no rest the night following

10th I sent Jonas away for Hannah Barnett to come and wait on her this day and she came and did and she got a little Easyer

11th I set out with William McClure for Pemitchawasett and Lodged at Capt Fowlers

12th I Joyned the rest of the Company at Pennykook being Ensign Brown and Hobart Messrs Elnathan Blood and John Willabie and tarried there over the Sabath at Mrs Osgoods

14th we set out and lodged about 12 miles from Pennykook at Mr Thos Foses

15th we arived about 4 or 5 mile above the Crotch of the river

16th we campt about ½ way over the 2 mile Carrieing place

17th we arived at the Intervale and Campt

29th I finished laying out 60 lotts Containing about 347 acres in the Intervale on Pemitchewasett

30th we set out for home and came to the Crotch of the river and lay at a loging camp

31st We came to Mr Henry Lovejoys and lay there

APRIL FIRST

set out at half an hour past 2 in the morning and came home that Evening about sunset I was out 19 days. we got as much by hunting as we shared 4-2-6 pr man while I was gon James Walker lent me a bushell of Rie and Samuell Patterson lent me 2¼ bushell of Indian Corn and Col Goffe lent me a half bushell of Indian Corn and ½ bushell of Rie

2d Samuell Patterson lent me a bushell of Indian Corn and I workt planing my survey

4th I spent the day on planing

5th I spent the day and finished the Plan of my survey at Pemichewasett for the proprietors

7th I got a Gallon of Molasses from Capt Barron and settled with him for this and 2 gallon more that I had from him and a barrel of Cydar being 17 £ & 40/ he owed me for Writing done at Matthew Littles and he cleared off Charles Blacks note & I recd 39-6-0 old Tenor the note was at Intrest and I took 2/6 pr £ and I pd Lucy Barron 6-5-0 and John Clogston brot his Mare to me to keep for him

8th I paid my bror Samuell 17-16-0 being his fees of service and 40/ he Expended for the Guard and four pounds for MacNight one of the Guards in Charles Blacks case and 3-4-0 over in a 25 £ bill and I got 2 £ of butter from Mrs Hannah Barnet

9th I writ a Deed from Lieut Moor to his son James and in the afternoon I went to Widow Bells apprising part of the personal estate

11th I got ½ a gallon of Molasses from Mr Daniel Ingalls and I lent my steers and sled to George Person to move from Clogstons to his father Chamberlins

13th I went to London : derry to assist Robert Macmurphy to draw his Administration Acct

14th I endeavored to help him but was so much out of case that I could not

15th I went over to Chester With Robt Macmurphy to settle with William Kelsey but Major Tolford was from home that we could not and I recd 100 £ old Tenor from William Tolford on acct of his note

16th I came home again and in my way I got an ounce of Onion seed from James Roggers and could not pay for it for want of change

18th I Vendued Alexander Orrs place it was sold for 930 £ old Tenor and Several other articles and our Cherry Cow Calved a bull and I recd 6-5-0 old Tenor from William McDoel for 2 deeds I put on the record for him and I paid Robt Riddell 6-5-0 toward what potatoes I had from him last faull

19th I writ the deed of Alex Orrs place to Jonan Currier and a Mortgage from him to Orr for security and took the Acknowledgements of both deeds I charged Currier 3–5–0 and he paid the money and I went and Vendued Robert Morrials place for 1400 £ old Tenor and I pd James Mathies 3–2–6 old Tenor towards my Not I gave him last summer and I recd 26/ Mass old Tenor in Silver from Morrial for Vendueing

20th I went with John Clogstons mare to Abraham Cochrans in New Boston and I got ½ a bushell of potatoes from him for which I paid him 25/ and I came to Antipass Dodges and got 1½ bushell of Turnips on acct of my surveying last faull round his fathers lott and I came to William McDoels and got ½ a bushell of potatoes from him and 3 £ in money on acct of my makeing the rates in Goffestown last faull and he owes me 1–10–0 yet on the same acct

22d I set out for Dunstable and I got a new shew made of my Iron and sett by John Jacobs on John Clogstons mare for which I paid him 25/ old Tenor and went and lodged at Mr Harwoods

23d I went to Jonathan Blanchards and I got 4 bushell of rie and pd him 26 £ for it and 11–10–0 toward 2 bushell more and I came home and I got 2 bushell of it Ground at Capt Chamberlins Mill and I had the Toal and came home in the afternoon

24th Mr Houston Was absent he set out for Pelham

25th I went to Dunstable and I had John Clogstons mare and got 4 bushell of Rie from Jonathan Blanchard and paid him 14–10–0 and 11–10–0 I paid him on the 23d paid the 4 bushell and he gave me 2–6 old Tenor back in change and he gave me my dinner and I had it Ground at Capt Chamberlins and I had the Toal

26th I pd Widow Bell a bushell of Rie Meal that I borrowed last faull of her late husband John Bell and I went in the afternoon to James Walkers to a proprietors meeting of souhegan East and I was chose Proprietors Clerk and I writ a Petition for the last years Selectmen for the General Court to have Meeting for the choice of town officers in Bedford

27th I sent James Walker a bushell of rie meal to pay a bushell of rie he lent my Wife when I was at Pemitchawasett in last march and I gave Thos Murdough a Summons for a number of Witnesses to appear at Deacon Kendells on Thursday the 5th of May next and a Notification to James Mathies the advers party

28th I finished plowing the peice between the house and barn and I went to Patrick Taggarts and took Agness Examination on Bastardy she swore the Child on Samuel Kilpatrick and I tarried all night

29th I came home in the forenoon

30th I lay by all day out of case

MAY FIRST

I sweat and was much out of Case and Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

3d I married John Harvell Junr of Litchfield and Widow Rebeccah Walton of Derryfield and he gave me 6 £ old Tenor and I went in the Evening according to a former appointment to Matthew Littles and

divided our setting rock company of Which Thos Hall and I was Voted to chuse partners Hall chose Samuell Patten Samuell Richards and Thos MacLaughlin and I had Thos Miller John Little and John Bell

5th I went to Samll Caldwells and swore took 12 Depositions for Thos Murdough against James Mathies and Drawed a Compt and Wart for Capt Parker against sd Mathies and tarried all night at Caldwells

6th I came home in the forenoon and writ a letter to Deacon Williams on the proprs of Souhegan East acct concerning the proprs book &c and John Clogston took away his mare she has been absent in the time 2 nights since she first came

7th I went to Litchfield and spent the day at Deacon Kenndalls on Parkers and Mathies case I adjourned it untill next Thursday at ten of the Clock to the same place and I recd 40 £ from Ensign Hobart and 45 £ from Major Blanchard on acct of my surveying this last winter at Pemitchwasett and I got ½ £ of peper from Mr Lutwyche and I pd him for it and for ½ a £ of powder and 2 £ of shot I had from him this spring on Credit the 23d of last April and I got 2 bushell of Oats from Mrs Russell and I am to go to her next Thursday to run lines for her to pay for them

9th I attended at James Walkers by Vertue of a Commission from the Governor to Col Goffe and Justice Walker and me to Swear John Shepard as a Justice of the peace and he gave me 21-3 Mass old Tenor and I sent 46 £ with James Little to Jonathan Blanchard to buy 18 bushell of rie

10th I went to Pennykook and Bells old horse and lodged at Mrs Osgoods

11th I got 4 bushell of the Corn from Moses Eastman that John Bell bought for me last December and I got it Ground at Clements Mill and I had the toal at the rate of 4 £ per bushell and I came home

12th I went to Litchfield and went into the woods after Obidiah Hause and took the acknowledgement of the deed he gave to James Voce unpaid and went and lodged at Mrs Russells

13th I run lines for her and lodged there that night

14th She gave me 3-2-6 in money and the Oats I recd the Saterday before for my surveying and I went to Derry and Chester to help to settle with William Kellsy about the rough farm and came lodged with my Brother in law Robt McMurph over the Sabath and I recd 2 johannas from William Tolford on acct of his note

16th I came home in the morning and I writ a deed from Ebenezer Coston of his place to John Kidder I charged each of them 16/ old Tenor all unpaid

17th Ensign David Hobart came to my house and agreed for me to go to Pemitchawasett in about a fortnight he bot me a right and gave 19-10-0 old Tenor for it more than the charges I pd him 10 £ old Tenor and 55 £ that was due me made 65 £ old Tenor that I paid him for it & we are to acct about it when we know how much the charges is the right he bot me was Deacon Francis Worcesster the Entervale lot of them that I laid out is no 30 and I got 3½ Quarts of Seed Corn from Samuell Patterson all but a Duble handful James gave me and he would not say What it would be

19th I took John Bells old horse to John Jacobs & got 2 shoes set on his fore feet the charge is 14/ unpd

20th I set out for Pennykook and it stormed on me more than half the way it began with hail and then rain and then both together and then snow among them and at length it was snow altogether and covered the ground Entirely and lay over night untill the next day I had John Bells horse and James Moors horse and I took John with me and we lodged at Mrs Osgoods

21st I bot 1½ bushell from Nathaniel Eastman for which I paid him a Dollar and I bot a peck of peas from him for which I pd him 2–13–0 and I brot 4 Quarts home of them and I brot the 8 bushell of Corn that John Bell bot for me from Moses Eastman and I got it ground at Clemens mill and I had the Toal and I paid him 3 £ and he let me have a peck of his corn and I came home and John stayed at Jonathan Martains and he came home on sabath morning

22d the Sun Rise very pleasant but presently clouded over and began to rain and rained the rest of the day and all the night following very hard

23d It still continued to rain in the morning when I writ this it cleared away by the middle of the forenoon it was an Exceeding great rain and in the Evening I writ 5 advertisements for John Bell for the sale of his fathers personal Estate and Mr Stephen Powers of Hollis came to my house to see at me when I should go to Pemitchawasett and Lodged here all night

24th I pd James Walker a bushell of Indian Meal for the Bushell of Corn I borrowed of him the 19th of Last February and I attended a Proprs Meeting by adjournment at James Walkers in the afternoon and adjourned it farther untill the 26th of next July at two of the Clock in the afternoon

29th Mr Houston assisted Mr Mitchell at the sacrement in Pembrooke—

30th I acknowledged a deed for Hugh Riddell Junr not paid

31st I writ 2 Deeds from Ebenezer Coston to John Kidder and acknowledged them and Charged 3 £ unpd and Kidder is to pay it and I had Pattersons horse and set out for Dunstable for a load of rie and I lodged at Mr Harwoods

JUNE FIRST

I sett out for Westford and Mr Cox sett 4 shoes on Pattersons horse and charged me 28/ and I could not pay him for want of makeing change and I went to Westford and bot 10 bushell of Indian corn from Mr Thos Cumings and I pd him 14 £ Bay Money for it and I brot 4 bushell of it away with me and I bot 10 bushell of corn from his neighbor Burge and pd 1¼ £ for it old Tenor and left a sack for to fill 8 bushell of it into and the 4 bushell I brot from Cumings I brot to Jonathan Blanchards and left it there and brot 4 bushell of the rie from there that I bot from him and I left 6–5–0 with Augustus for his bror Jona to make up the pay for the 8 bushell I sent by James Little for to him and I lodged at Mr Harwoods

2d I came home and I got it Ground at Capt Chamberlins and I had the Toal and I got several articles at Mr Lutwychies on Credit to the amount 3 £ Bay old Tenor and I spent the afternoon and untill a good while in the Evening drawing out the Inventory of John Bells Estate

3d I knit a Scoop Net

4th I knit another both my own a pound made them both

7th I set out for Pemitchawasett in company with Thos Lund Junr to survey and I arived at Pennykook the next day noon and I got 20½ £ of Pork and paid for it I got a half a bushell of corn from John Chandler which John Bell bot for me last faull and he ground it and I arived there on Saterday afternoon

13th Jonas Kyes mended my shoes and I Hoed for him and paid for it

14th I set out to go to Conecticut men who had been in camp above Convints falls and when I came I found that they were moved away and I returned to our camp

16th I set out for home in Company with Elnathan Blood Jonas Kyes and Thomas McClure and Got to the Crotch of the river and I had a mare of Major Blanchards that Lund brot to carrie our provision on and she went back that night

17th McClure took my saddle and all my things but my Blanket which blood took and brot them to Amoskeig falls and I arived home this night in my going out at Pennykook I had a pound of chocolate from Capt Macmillins wife on Credit the price is 48/ old Tenor and at Mrs Osgoods a going and coming my charge was 50/s unpaid also The reason of my return so quick was the flys was so plenty that I could not work and there was only one of our Comtee there the other was gon home

between the 20th and 25th I chiefly spent at Amoskeig and got about 20 shad and 2 salmon and I got 2 salmon from James Voce for what he owed me and we Quit Scores and on the 24th Jonas got a pigg from Francis Barnett

26th Was the Sacrement in Bedford and Mr MacGregore assisted

Before I sett out for Pemitchwasett on Saterday I bargained with David McCleary for a swap of My third Division that lys by him for his meadow lot in the little meadow we were to Exchange Even and he was to have the hay this year I was to have a warranty Deed and he was to have Quit Claim from me

27th I began to plow in the old field before the house I ploughed in the forenoon with my mare and Steers and in the afternoon I had my brors old Oxen and I gave Lieut Nocker a Notification to Jer Carleton of Litchfield to hear some affidavits taken at Ensign William Reads tomorrow at 3 of the Clock in the afternoon which I am to take

28th I plowed in the forenoon about ½ of the time with my own Steers and the other one half with my brors young Oxen and Jonas plowed with his oxen in the afternoon and I went to William Reads according to appointment and took 4 depositions for Esquire Borland against Jeremiah Carleton and I charged 5 £ old Tenor and James Nocker Lieut his attorney gave me 6-2-6 the overplus is to go toward my runing lines for him in the year 1765

29th John Jacobs set 2 shoes on my Mares fore feet and I pd him 40s/ old Tenor and I went to the hauling of Daniel Moors barn and tarried untill almost sunset and came home and gave Jonathan Chamberlin a Summons for 4 witnesses to give Evidence at Matthews Littles on Saterday next at 3 of the Clock in the afternoon in George Persons Case and gave him a Notification to James Walker

30th I had my bros young Oxen and plowed and I gave William Joans a Wart against Joseph Butterfield to bind him to the peace my charge was 5 £ old tenor and he gave me a Dollar and I gave him no change

JULY FIRST

I went with my Mare to Jonathan Blanchards and brot away the 4 bushell of Corn I brot from Westford and left there on the 1st of June last and I got it Ground at Capt Chamberlins mill and I had the Toal & our Heifer took Bull

2d I had my brors young oxen to plow ½ the day and I paid him a bushell of Indian Meal for the bushell of Corn I had from William Barnett spring was a twelvemonth and in the afternoon I went to Matthew Littles and took two depositions for Jonathan Chamberlin in George Persons case with James Walker and did not pay me

4th I went to Amoskeig to fish and got but one shad

5th I went and fell a tree for Staves on the highway Land joyning on my Meadow fence and went and borrowed Richard MacAllesters horse for my wife to go to her Mothers next day

6th my Wife and I went to her Mothers and I got between 3 and 4 gallon of vinegar from there and came home with Richards horse and left my Mare there she was Very lame the night between the 7th and 8th the Bear came into the town by my brors and killed a lamb for us and took it down into the Edge of the Meadow and Eat his fill of it and we saved to the amount of ¾ of it

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JULY 7th 1763

8th I had my brors young oxen to plow but was hindered by the Bears killing the lamb the night before and in the afternoon the Mold board of my plough was so much shattered I had to leave off so that I did not plow half the day

9th I finished makeing a new mold Board for my plow about 10 or 11 of the Clock and the boys plowed untill night with my brors young Oxen and our Steers and I had John Bells mare and I went to London: derry for my wife but my own Mare was so lame that I could not bring her home I went to James Houstons and pulled off the Shoe and pared her foot and let out a Considerable Corupted matter and got him to set the shoe again and my wife tarried and I came home and my Mother in law gave me a quarter of Veal and as much meal as ballanced it

10th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford and I sent home John Bells Mare

11th I sett out for New Boston to help to fix a place for to build their Meeting house on the other Committee man was Capt Chamberlin and my bror

12 13 & 14 was on the same busness and arived home on the night between 12 and 13th. the rose came on the inside of my left leg below the Calf & opperated so that by morning there was a large Wax-Carnel in my Groin and I lay by all the 13th and was much out of Case about the Middle of the day I went to bed in order to get a sweat and Mrs Cochrane made

me an Herb drink and I sweat considerable that day I felt better and had Deacon Cochranes Mare to ride home on We drawed our Judgements there our charge was 24s/ each Mass Lawfull money

15th I sent Deacon Cochranes mare home by Robt Addams who was going up

16th I went to London: derry and got my mother in laws Mare and my wife came home on her and I rid my own Mare

18th I set out for Westford for Corn with my Mother in Laws Mare and John Clogston went along with me with his Mare I bore their expences I would have taken his Mare and he would go himself We got 8 bushell and came and Lodged at Mr Harwoods I got all the corn from Mr Cummings that he owed me and 2 bushell from Mr Burgh

19th I came to Capt Chamberlins and got the 8 bushell Ground and I had the toal of 4 bushell and the other 4 they took the toal of

20th I pd Samuell Patterson 2 bushell of Meal John Clogston had it by an order from Patterson and I drawed a Compt from Daniel Moore against Samuell Wallace and I went to London: derry with my Mother in Laws Mare and came home in the night

22d I had my brors 2 pair of Oxen and plowed in the west side of the field before the house

23d I went to Robt Gillmors in Goffestown and run the line between him and Lieut Little and he found thread and Sowed a pair of Soles on a pair of pumps for me and we offset

24th Mr Houston was in Derryfield

26th I attended a Proprietors meeting by adjournment of Sowhegan East att James Walkers they voted to have me go to Boston for the Books papers and Plans and Col Goffe proposed to Disburst 2 Dollars towards bearing my Expences and my bror proposed to advance some and both to look for it from the Proprietors and James Walker proposed to find me a horse and to get his pay the same way

27th I got James Walkers horse and fitted off for Boston but got disappointed and tarried untill next morning and I recd 2 dollars from Col Goffe and a Crown peice from my bror

28th I got up about Midnight and I arived at Boston that night

AUGUST FIRST

I arived home in the evening and brot home four bushell of corn from Mr Burge in Westford of what I bot from him in June last

3d I had my brors Oxen both pairs about half the day and I finished plowing the field before the house and I pd Capt John Stark 6 Dollars towards the intrest I owe him

4th I went to Chester and Lodged at Major Tolfords

5th I took up the Deed that John Caldwell and I gave to John and William Tolford of the land that my father in Law left me in Chester and I gave William Tolford a Seperate deed and he paid me a hundred pound old Tenor I have recd 200 £ old Tenor and 16 dollars for what land I Sold him he set the price himself and the time of payment and I got a pig from Robt Macmurphy and came home in the evening

8th I went to Dunstable for the 4 bushell of Rie I had at Jonathan Blanchard but when I came I found he had put it away notwithstanding I paid him 26 £ for it and my bags there to put it in and I had to come home without any he promised to send it to Capt Chamberlin by Fryday well suned fit for grinding and I brought a Johanna and 2 Crowns and 2 English shillings from old Mr Allds for which I paid him 74–13–0 old Tenor The Discompt was 7 £ pr Dollar

9th I sent Capt John Stark a Johanna by my boys and I settled with Deacon Robert Gillmor and I paid him for wooll my Wife had from him in the year 1761 and for ½ £ of Tea I had the same year from him being 9–12–6 in the whole and he paid me a piestereen and a half in silver for 3 £ of Puttee he had from me some years ago and I gave him a deed that he had from Woodbridge Brown that I put on the record for him

10th I butchered a lamb that weighed 34 £

11th was a thanksgiving throughout the Province on acct of the Peace But Mr Houston did not preach altho he was at home and in health he did not receive a proclamation nor certain acct of the appointment as he said altho the people generaly went to Meeting how the people univertialy came to hear and he not I cant tell When his Wife was informed of it by my Wife on the 5th instant att our house who told Mrs Houston the acct of the thanksgiveing was in the newspaper and our Black Cow took Bull in the morning early

12th I intended to begin to mow at the little meadow but did not but pulled our flax at John Clogstons and our Belled Cow took Bull in the evening and I signed a recomendatory Certificate for Capt Barrons Wife to the Church in Amherst

13th we finished pulling our flax at Clogstons

14th I heard Mr Hancock preach in Bedford in the forenoon from these words Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord &c and in the afternoon from these words Watch and pray for ye know not what hour your Lord cometh

15th Samuell & James Patterson and I made a haull for salmon at their brook but got none

16th I began to mow in the little meadow & I got a Gallon of rum from Mr Lutwyche on Credit ye day before

17 18 19 William Barnett mowed for me in the Little meadow

20th I workt at the meadow and I got up 100 Cocks this week and there came up a Shower about the middle of the afternoon and catched about 20 cocks ready for rakeing in this weak Alex Orrs wife reaped a little more than ½ a day

22d I spent the day to take Depositions for John Brown of New boston in his case with Daniell Macmurphy they agreed the Case my charge for summons Notification and this days attendence I charged 8 £ old Tenor and brown paid me 3–3–0 and before I went on the above busness I writ 2 Deeds from William Alld to Daniell Moor and took the acknowledgement and acknowledged 3 Deeds for Alld and did Some other writing and charged 6 £ and I recd the money Alld paid 4–8–0 and Moor pd 1–12–0 and Alex Orrs Wife reaped for me some more than ½ the day and I sent John

to Capt Chamberlins mill he took 2 bushell of Indian corn with him and got it ground and brot it and some of the rie Jonathan Blanchard sent there for me the 4 bushell he sent there for me when it came to be dried it lacked a peck Capt Chamberlins wife or family dried it and Measured it

23d Mrs Orr reaped for me ½ the day or the afternoon and I made a fork handle the boys and I reaped 2½ stooks in the forenoon

24th the boys and I put up a Stack of hay at the Little meadow and I run the line between James Caldwell and Benj Smith and I put 3 or 4 names more as Witnesses into William Jones Wart

25th I paid John Wallace 30s/ I owed him toward a scyth I had from him this summer my bror paid 5-10-0 of it for me when I got it

26th I finished mowing in the Little Meadow

30th I settled Samson Moors note of 20 Dollars with Hugh Riddell on James Breakenridge acct he pd me 11 Dollars and a piestreen he ows me and an order on Robt Walker of 12 Dollars and I gave David McCleary a Wart against William Moor for Moors kicking and stricking McClerys son John on the 26th instant the charge is 4-8-0 old Tenor unpaid and I gave Robt Kennedy of Goffestown one Deed of his own and 2 of his bror Thomas that I had put on the Records and there remained 5-7-0 old Tenor to be paid More than I had recd and he pd me 3-2-6 of it and there remains 44s/6 which he promised to pay

31st I writ a deed from William Karr to William Read and a bill of sale and acknowledged each of them and charged 3 £ old Tenor and Read promised to pay it and Karr got his deed from me that I put into the records for him the charge was 3 £ and 40/ he owed me on Hit Emerys acct made 5 £ he owes me which Answered a 6 £ he had from Thos Campbell of Lo: Derry which alows me to recive and I gave the note to Robt Macmurphy to get for me some time ago

SEPTEMBER FIRST

I attended a proprietors meeting of souhegan East at James Walkers in the afternoon

2d I finished Stacking hay at the Little meadow I had 165 Cocks this year there was 32 in the Dispute Lot

3 4 & 5 I was out of Case by reason of the left side of my face being sweled which proceeded from a rotten Tooth and my getting cold my Wife sweat me and I recovered better

6th I went to John Jacobs and he made 2 new shoes for my mares fore feet and set them off my iron and put a peice on a scyth and set the heel of another and charged 50s/ and I did not pay him

7th I went to Mr Lutwyches and got ½ £ of peper and 1 Gallon of Molasses and ½ a gallon of Rum and 1 ounce of Snuff and I paid him 1-8-0 Bay old In Sterling bills according to the Discompt he makes toward the above things and I spent the night following untill daybreak a settleing William Barnetts James Voce and James Pattersons account of their Raphting this last spring

8th I spent more than ½ the day on the above acct and I paid Hugh Riddell Junr 1-18-0 old Tenor being the remainder of What I owed his bror

Robert for what potatoes I had from him last faull I paid him 6-5-0 before toward them last April the day that Alex Orr Vendued his place and I lent Matthew Little a Glass bottle full of Linseed oyle and paid him the Glass Bottle full that I borrowed of the Comte for the meeting house some years ago the glass Bottle full I lent was filled in the same bottle that I borrowed in

9th There was a frost the night following which killed a number of Pumpkin leafes and beans and some Corn leaves

16th I finished mowing and set out and went to Westford and got the 4 bushell of Corn I had at Mr Burgs and I bot 10 £ of pork and paid 46/8 Bay old Tenor for it and came and Lodged at Parkes & I got 100 of Wafer that James Voce brot from Boston he paid for them

17th I bot 7 £ of shugar from James Tyng and paid him 1-7-6 for it and I bot at Gordons 3 Cotton Romalls a 13/6 each and 1 £ of Ginger 7/ and 3 £ of shot a 3/ pr £ and a Quire of Writing paper a 9/ and I paid of them thing 1-2-6 and the rest I am trusted for and I got 2 Caks of chocolate at Mr Lutwyches on Credit being 18/ and I got a bushell of wheat from Mr Gearfield and I am to give the common Market price for it when I pay it and I got the 4 bushell of corn Ground at Capt Chamberlins and I had the toal

21st I sent Jonas to Mr Lutwyches and I sent him 2-10-0 in Silver and got a Gallon of Rum and I got no change and Samll Patterson made me a pair of shoes

22d I set out for Plymouth to Survey and lodged at Mrs Osgoods and did not return home untill the 16th of Next November being 8 weeks in Which time I got 2 bushell of Wheat from Elnathan Blood of Pine Hill Dunstable unpaid and I got 10 £ of Beaver by catching while I was out and my Wife sent to Lutwyches and got 2 Quarts of Rum and 8 £ of Rice and sent it up to me and about 3 £ of butter with Major Blanchard and a parcel of Flower to thicken my Rice and Chocolate

NOVEMBER 16th

I came home from Plymouth in Evening about 10 or 11 of the Clock

17th there fell a snow ancle deep very dry

21st I drawed a coppy of plan of Robt Gilmoors lott in Goffestown (viz) no 9 in the 2d rang on the south side of Piscataquog river charged 20/ unpaid and I went to John Goffes Mill to bring home some boards I had there since Spring was a twelve month and they Were gone as Goffe said to Mend his fathers barn and he let me have as many feet for them being 240 feet

22d I spent the afternoon and the Evening at Col Goffes on the affair of a new Township and got a bushell of Rie ground

23d I spent the day going among the Inhabitants of this town to know who Voted for Col Goffe for an Assembly man to be Proprietors and John Jacobs mended my holdfast and charged 8/ and I did not pay him and I recd 11 Dollars from Robt Walker and a Dollar he paid my Wife before made the 12 Dollars that he was to pay me on Hugh Riddells acct that he was to pay me on James Breakenridge acct for the Quarter of the right of Land in Benningtown

THURSDAY 24th WAS THE GENERAL THANKSGIVEING

28th I spent the day at Col Goffes about the new Township and I paid Mr Newman 25/ old Tenor towards this year ferriage and I paid Eleazar Wells 5/ by Writing a power of attorney and acknowledgement for a Jill of Rum I had from him last spring at Amoskeig falls and I got ½ a bushell of salt from Col Goffe and paid 3 Dollars in Silver for my own right and for Jonathan Martains name that I put in for my self

29th I & my Wife & Jonas John and James went a cran berrying and got about a bushell

30th I paid Joseph Farmer a Dollar toward the Rie my Wife got from him while I was in the Woods

DECEMBER FIRST

I sowed 2 bushell of Wheat in the old field by my brors

5th I finished stocking Robt Morrials Gun and I went in the afternoon and run lines for Thos Hall over Pistacataquog river on the heads of the 2 home lotts in Bedford unpd

6th I went to New Boston and tarried at Alexr McCollums over Night

7th I bot 2 pails of Butter from Mrs Cochran at 5s/ pr pound Bay old Tenor the pails & butter weighed 47½ the pails weighed 9 £ 2 ounces the butter weighed 38 £ 6 ounces

8th I went and got 2 bushell of rie and 2 of Indian ground at Goffes mill and I writ 2 deeds for Lindsey George Wallis of Boston one for Capt Barron and the other to Daniel Moor Wallis paid me 15s/ Bay old Tenor for the Deeds and Capt Barron and Moor owes me for the Acknowledgement and I lent Daniel Moor a peistereen in Silver

10th I sowed a bushell of Rie in the old field by my brors

11th Sabath day Mr Houston was in Derryfield

12th I went to see Col Goffe and met him at Capt Barrons bars and I writ a deed from John Goffe to Eleazer Wells he paid me his part and 8s/ for Goffe and Goffe paid me the remainder and 17s/ toward the 20s/ he was to pay me for Thos Karr and I filled a Writ and summons for James Lyon against Thos Croford to be tryed the 26th Instant at one of the Clock in the afternoon

16th Samuell Patterson sowed on a pair of soles for me I had the soles and thread from John Bell he owed me One sole and he lent me the other and the thread and Ensign Hobart came to my house to have me go to assist plymouth committee to cupple their lotts

17th I went to pine hill

19 20th was on the busness

21st came home and got a Quarter of Beaf from Ens Parker weighing 85 at 2/ pr £ and I pd him 50/ silver money more than pd the beaf silver money and Ensign Hobart took his horse and brot it to Gearfields for me and Elnathan Blood let me have his Mare to ride to Gearfields

22d I brot the Quarter of Beaf home

23d was the town Meeting in Bedford by a speceial Act for the choice of town officers for the Currant year and John Shepard Esq was appointed

Moderator by the General Court I was chose Clerk and clerk of the Market and I recd 4–4–0 old Tenor from Andrew Bixby for a Writ he got from me last year or last spring

24th I got 2 bushells of Rie ground at Goffes mill

26th was a snowey day and the case I was to try between James Lyon and Crowford the writ was not served

27th the snow is now more than mid leg deep and I broke through to the Little meadow and brot home a little hay

28th & 29th was soft and inclining to a thaw

30 & 31st I brot a Jag of hay each of these days from the meadow

JANUARY FIRST 1764

was a snowey day being the 3d snowey Sunday going

2 & 3d I brot 2 Jags of hay from the meadow

4th I brot home 2 Jags this day

5th was a Snowey day and I writ a Bill of Sale from Robt Gillmor of Merrymac to his Daughter Elizabeth of a Negro boy and Acknowledged it unpaid

6 & 7th I brot home 2 Jaggs hay from the Meadow and John Dismor made a pair of shoes for Jonas and another pair for John

8th my Mare was swelled on the off side of her Belly and between her hind legs as far as her tites

9th I bot 2 quarters of a Cow from Major Moor it weighed 155 £ a 6s/ pr £ came to 46–10–0 and I gave him my Note for the Money and I got an almanack from Col Goffe and paid for it

10th Was a town meeting and I was re chose to build a Pulpit with John Wallis and John Bell was added in the Room of Hugh Riddell who is moved out of town

11th I sent Deacon Thomas Cochran by Archibald MacMurphy 9–14–0 Mass old Tenor for 38 £ and 6 ounces of Butter I had from him on the 7th of Last December the price was 5s/ pr £ Mass old Tenor being 2s/ more than the butter came to Mass old Tenor

12th I had Pattersons horse and brot home the beaf from Major Moors

16th I writ a Deed from Daniel and John MacCurdy to James Mathies and I acknowledged it and I gave Mathies a Deed I put on record for him the price of the Deed was 2–12–0 and the acknowledgement and an order from Mathies on James Karr came to 1–0–0 all to be settled by a Note Mathies has of me

17th I went and got 6 bushell of Rie and 6 bushell of Indian Corn from Samuell Barnet and I had John Goffes Mare to help my Steers and I got 10 bushell of it Ground at Samuell Caldwells

20th I cut 2 Chestnutt trees in Capt Barrons lott north of James Caldwells for Rails and Deacon William Moor made a new Spool and teethed a Heck for me to be settled for

22d Mr Houston was in Litchfield

23 & 24th I drawed 3 Jaggs with my Steer of hay from the meadow and on the 23d Mary Riddel came to us to spin some Wool

25th I recorded the Town and Province rates and Warrants

26 & 27th I hauled 3 Jaggs of hay more

28th I attended the funeral of Matthew McDuffees wifes mother and mary Riddell finished spining and Went home

30th I made a new yock for my Steers

FEBRUARY FIRST

I hald 2 Jaggs hay from the meadow

3d I hald home a Jagg of hay being the last I have gon 19 times for my hay this year

7th we had a Ewe lambed a Ewe lamb and it died the 8th it snowed in the morning and then abated and in the afternoon it snowed out of the East very Violently the snow fell about 4 or 5 inches deep

10th I went to Mr Lutwyches and Got 4 £ of shugar and one £ of ginger 1 paper of pins and 1 Cake of Soap on Credit and carryed 4 meal bags to Samuel Barnet to be filled with corn and the night following we had a Ewe lambed a Ewe lamb

12th Mr Houston was in Litchfield

15th I went to Samuell Barnetts and got 8 bushell of corn from him and I carried it to Samuell Caldwells mill and got 6 bushell of it Ground

17th I went to London : derry and lodged at my Mother in laws

18th I went to John Mitchels and gave him my Note for 46 £ old Tenor in Exchange of a Note I had gave George Duncan of the said Nominal sum on acct of charges of no 3 on Penobscot river and took his rect and left that rect with sd Duncan to redeem my note to him and took Duncans rect for that rect Either to Deliver it or my note

20th I gave Daniel Kenndel a Summons for 6 Evidences to give Evidence at William Reads in Christopher Kenndalls case against Capt Thos Parker on the 22d and a Notification to Capt Parker and I carried a Woollen Webb to Jas Lyon and assisted John Bell to draw out the acct of the Demands on his fathers Estate

21st I brot home 2 plank from McAllesters mill for Cart fellows and 19 sticks of Slit work

22d I went to William Reads and swore six evidences for Christopher Kenndell and his bror Daniell gave me 5–2–6 old Tenor and 2 peistereens for what I did in the affair and I swore 2 Witnesses for William Richardson against Capt Parker he did not pay me and I came home in the Evening

24th John Dinsmor finished makeing shoes he has made 7 pair this winter the charges is 14 £ for what he did this winter I paid him this Winter 8–5–0 and I owe him yet 27–15–0 old Tenor

25th I had my brors 4 oxen and I hauled 3 rail cutts to the Little meadow and I took the 2 slit work cuts that I had lying at Greggs old house to Daniel Moors Mill and he sawed them they made 44 sticks and I had them all and I got 26 sticks of the 2 butt cuts my bror & I hauled in last Winter and I brot them home

27th I set out for Hollis and lodged at Major Blanchards and I borrowed the 2d Volum of the independant Quig

28th I went into Hollis and recd my order for my wages for my survey-

ing for Plymouth proprs my order was 542 £ old Tenor the collector signed over a note to me on Thos Russ of 160 £ old Tenor in part of my order

29th I settled with the Collector for the dues on my own right being 86 £ on my order and for 62 £ old Tenor on Deacon Stephen Websters right and took his (viz) Websters note for the money and I gave Ensn David Hobart an order of 9 £ old Tenor being what I owed him on the price of my right in Plymouth that he bot for me

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM FEBRUARY 29 1764

MARCH 1st 1764

was a training in Bedford under Col Goffe for the publishing the Commissions

2d I drawed a petition to the selectmen for Gauin Riddell to incert an article in their next Wart for a town meeting and I pd Samuell Patterson a bushell of Indian Meal

3d I had Gauin Riddells Mare and my own and I went to Ensn Parkers at Pine hill and got 282 £ of Beaf a 1s/8d pr £ Massachusetts old Tenor it amounted to 10 Dollars and 20s/ said old Tenor and I gave him my note for ten Dollars and 20s/ or New Hampshire old Tenor equal thereto with Intrest untill paid and came home in the Evening and as I came home Thos Wallace gave me better than ½ a bushell of Parsnips

5th I went to New boston and Qualified their Town officers

6th I returned home The night before I lodged at John McLaughlins my charge for this service is 12 £ old Tenor not yet paid

8th I got 4 bushell of rie from Gauin Riddell and 2 bushell of indian corn and a bushell of rie on Robt Morrials acct and the 4 of rie and 2 of corn is on acct of the Stack of hay he had of mine last Winter and I got one bushell of rie from Morrial himself this and the bushell I had from Riddell on his acct pays (with what he and Thos Mathies wife reaped for me) the stocking his Gun

9th I went to Richard McAllasters mill and I brot away 12 sticks of slit work that Joseph Houston owed and brot home a stock of boards that Gauin Riddell brot to John Bells for me and 5 Sticks of Slit work that Richard MacAllester owed me and I paid Samll Patterson a bushell of corn

10th I Drawed a Plan of Sowhegan river through Merrymac and on the side of Amherst and the town of Merrymac and Litchfield and part of Monson and part of Amherst and part of Bedford for Gol Goffe to carry to the Governor next week and I writ a letter for James McNight for Willm Eloit for some nails he owes McNight

12th I went to Mr Lutwyches and got 2 Gallon of Molasses ¼ £ of tea one Jack knif one hundred of Pump nails and I paid him a Dollar in silver and 8 £ old Tenor that Stearns (viz) Zachariah and Daniel paid him for my takeing Depositions for their mother in her case with Mr Gordon and I agreed with Daniel Kenndell for 20 bushell of Corn a 3 £ pr bushel and he is to bring it to Reads for me into the bargain

13th I went to Stewarts and got a Net pole and some Spruce

15 16 & 17th was on the busness of takeing some Depositions in per-

petuam rei memoriam relating to Mr Houstons settleing in Bedford the Justices was Col Goffe and Alex^{r} Walker they took them at James Walkers

21st I paid Hannah Barnet 47^{s}/ Mass old Tenor

24th I Drawed Fencing Loggs with James Pattersons Draughts

27th I paid Joseph Farmer ¼ of a Dollar toward the rie I had from him.

28th was the annual meeting and I was chose Clerk and one of the Selectmen

29th I took divers persons Invoice West from the meeting house including McAllesters Morrals Murdough Widow Nimocks and that breadth Eastward and the river rang Except Capt Barron

30th our Heifer Calved a Heifer calf and in the night following we had a Ewe lambd

31st I lay by all day by reason of a sore on my right loyn under the west-band of my britches

APRIL FIRST

there fell a snow near 3 inches deep the Sun was Eclipsed this morning at five of the Clock being 41 minutes before she rise

3^{d} was a considerable heavy rain in the fore part of the day in the afternoon I writ a Mortgage deed from James Wallace to William Barnett and Acknowledged it and charged 40^{s}/ I owed him 10^{s}/ toward a little chair and 32^{s}/ toward 2 twenty-four shilling bills he gave me some years ago to get changed in the province Treasury and we offset them two sums for what I did in writing this day and in the forenoon I recorded the March Meeting Wart and the Votes of the meeting

4th I sent Jonas to Mr Lutwyches and £ ¼ of Tea £ ½ of peper ½ ounce of Nutmeg 1 Quire of Writing paper 7 £ of Rice and 2 Galn of Molasses on Credit and 2 bushell of Indian Corn from Daniel Kendall and I appointed to Lay out the Road in Litchfield next Saterday

6th I cut my knee pan about 9 or ten of the Clock forenoon

7th I had Capt Walkers Mare and went to lay out the Road in Litchfield and Derryfield pr order of the Sessions did no more than view the Ground our Expenses at Maj Moors came to 16–13–0 old tenor and 8–14–0 at Col Goffes our ferriage was 18^{s}/ for 3 comtee men Before the morning of the 8th the Ague settled in my Cutt knee I suffered a great deal of pain and could do no work the whole week following My boys ploughed 4 days this week to wit the 10th 11th 12th and 13th days

8th Mr Houston was absent

14th Proved a Rainy day

15th Mr Houston was absent

17th I sowed a little more than a bushell of Rie in the field by my brors which finished it

18th I went to Col. Goffes mill and got 2 bushell of Rie ground into Meal and I fished and catched 19 Chubs

19th I sowed almost 2 bushell of Rie in the field before the house and I was to have held a Court wherein Timothy Taylor was Plant and Thos Lancey was Deft Lancey appeared and Maj Blanchard appeared for

Taylor they made up the case and Blanchard paid me 30s/ old Tenor for my trouble it Raind the latter part of the day considerable and Snowed in the night following that it was an inch or two deep next morning

20th being Good Friday was the Provincial Fast

21st The Snow melted away and we laid up the fence behind the house and I sowed 2 bushell of Rie in the field before the House and Samuel Patterson and I went a fishing at Seabens Ponds and we catched 13 Pickerel

22d Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

23d I sowed 3 bushell of Rie in the field before the house which finished it I sowed almost 7 bushell in it and a little more than a bushell in the field by my brors makes 8 bushell in all this spring

24th I had Richard McAllesters Horse and I went to Samuell Barnetts to Draw Writing between him and Robt Alexander of his place and between John McConnel and Samuell Barnet of McConnels place and I sit up all night and finished a little before day and Jonas took MacAllesters horse and went to Daniell Kenndells and got 4 bushell of Indian corn and brot it to Goffes mill and got 2 of it ground and left the other 2 at the mill and Samll Barnett is to give me 6 £ and Alexander paid me 5–17–0 and is indebted 3s/ for my service

25th I came home about the middle of the day

26th I went to mill for the 2 bushell of Corn Jonas left there day before yesterday and I took James and Bob with me and we catched 32 fish with hook & line and I got the Corn ground

27th James Caldwell sent me 4 Dollars by his son James for my service a fixing a meeting house plan in New boston

28th I got 2 sow piggs from Thos Murdough

30th I finished my Surveying Stavs

MAY FIRST

I had John Bells mare and went to Dunstable to run the lines of the land in Controversie between Jos Eayrs and William Cox the Refferies was to meet at Col Lovewells to Determin their Dispute Lodged at Mr Coxs

2d was on the bussness Lodged at Mr Coxs

3d I went to Mr Gordons Shop and I pd the shopkeeper a Dollar I owed 2–3–0 Bay old Tenor and I got ½ £ of Tea 1 £ Brimstone 6 sheets of Cartridge paper 5 £ of shugar 1 Dozn Cups and Sausers Chenie the whole came to 6–14–6 I paid 2s/ of it in the Dollar I gave more than what I owed before and I came by the way of Hollis and Lodged at Cousin Wm Pattens

4th I came home John Bell sent a bushell of Rie and I got it changed for malt and got it ground my charge for my Journey 3 days at 10s/ sterling pr day I told Cox that if he had to pay the Cost I would take 5s/ sterling pr day I spoke to him to make me a Gridiron in part of pay and while I was at Dunstable my wife let my bror Samll have 2 Dollars in Silver

7th I went a fishing in the Morning and catched 12 pickerel and a perch

8th Thomas Cowan came to me for Daniel Sterns to have me take an

affidavit for to carrie to the Superiour Court I gave him a Summons and a Notification to the Adverse party

9th the boys & I workt at laying up the log fence before the house

10th I gave Robert McCormick a Wart of apprizement for a Mare Colt unpd and I went a fishing & catched 12 pickerel The night before it Thundred & raind considerable and I gave Jonathan Chamberlin a summon for 2 Witnesses in George Persons case with James Walker & a notification to Walker unpd we had our Belld Cow die a Calveing some time in the day she was turned out about 9 a Clock and my brors children found her some time before night she was on a good dry peice of land on the west side of Clogstons field and the north side of my brors

12th I settled with Col Stoddard for Cutting acct and I gave him my note for 50 £ old Tenor on Zechariah Cuttings acct to be pd in 6 months with Intrest at 10 pr cent Pr annum till pd and I went to Robert Ushers and took 2 Depositions for Daniel Sterns and 2 for Lieut Hildreth and Sterns paid me a Dollar and Hildreth paid me 3 £ old Tenor and Robert McCormick paid me 35/6 old Tenor for the prize Warrant for a Colt I gave him on the 10th instant

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On the 11th I took 5 Depositions for Jonathan Chamberlin in George Persons case with James Walker I charged 4 £ and he pd me 3–12–6 old Tenor

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14th I attended in the afternoon at Capt James Walkers on Examining the Claims on John Bells Estate but no person came there came in Company and we tarried that I came home about Midnight in the morning I sent home Richard McAllesters horse which I had on Saterday to Litchfield for Grain I had from Daniel Kenndell and I had one of Col Goffes horses likewise and Jonas went and brot the grain from Ensn Reads there was 14 bushell of it 12 of Corn and 2 of Rie he brot it to the Cols Mill and got 4 bushell of it Ground and John went with my old mare and brot home 2 bushell and Jonas brot 2 of it in Meal and 2 in Corn and I got 2 £ of butter and 2 of hogs fatt from Widow Bell and I sent her 40s/ old Tenr towards it

28th I planted my Corn

29th I went to Amoskieg Falls to Fish

JUNE 8th

I attended to lay out the highway in Derryfield from Chohass brook to Litchfield line and in Litchfield from Derryfield line to Mr Josiah Richardsons

9th I drawed the Returns

11th I attended at Capt Walkers on Examining the Claims on John Bells Estate and Sent the Returns of the highways to the sessions by Col Goffe

15th I broke off fishing I got 361 shad and 1½ Salmon home I gave John Little & James Patterson 27 shad and 25 I had Stolen and 5 my bror Samll got of mine in this month while I was fishing Jonas got 2 bushell of salt

from Jonathan Chamberlin for me and I bot a bushell of Salt from little Robert Clark the salt was at Capt John Starks and I paid Clark 5 £ for it

18th I went to Timothy Taylors and run lines for him and charged him 6 £ unpaid

19th I sent 10 £ of Beaver to Boston to be made into Hatts and sent 2 dollars for several articles by Mathw Little

21st I pland at Makeing a plan of Plymouth half the day

22d I was at the Preambulating the line between Merrymac and Bedford it rained a Considerable and hindred we were very wet we got from the Southwest corner of Bedford to Joseph Scobys his house is in Bedford the line touches the southeast Corner of his house

23d I pland at the Plan of Plymouth

24th Mr Houston assisted Mr Mitchell of Pembrook at his sacrament

25 and 26th I finished Plymouth plan

27th I assisted with Col Goffe and Esqr Walker a Swearing Number of the officers of Col Goffes Rigement at Capt John Starks

28 & 29th I run lines for Mr Ebenr Harris of Dunstable and in the Evening I went to Hollis and recd 62 £ old Tenor from Deacon Webster and 2 £ old Tenor Intrest for 4 months and I lodged at Esqr Cumings

30th I took the Collector of Plymouths note for 230 £ a 10 pr Cent Intrest being what was due for my last years service beside what I settled before and I settled with John Jacobs and paid him off being 7-17-0 or 18s/ the od shillings he alowed for Writing I did for him and I pd him 7 £ in Cash

JULY 2d

John Jacobs set 2 shoes on my Mares fore feet & I pd him 12/ for it

3d I went to Pennykook to Swear the Remainder of the Officers of Col Goffes Regiment they gave me 9-6-0 old Tenor and I pd my own expense in equal club with the officers while we were together my whole expenses was 9-15-0 that I pd in Cash and Col Goffe pd all from Pennykook home

4th I arived home in the Evening about Midnight while I was in Pennykook I paid Mrs Osgood what I owed her for Expenses last faull being 4 £ and I paid Doctor Carter for ½ an ounce of Heirspeikery I had from his wife last september 1-4-0 old Tenor

6th I workt at Amoskieg faulls at a place out against Capt Starks Mill with Lieut Stark who workt in Hugh Stirlings room

7th I got 2 bushell of Rie from Lieut Moor for which I paid him 8 £ old Tenr and I went to mill and got it Ground

9th I attended to finish the runing the line between Merrymac & Bedford but was Disappointed by Capt Barron not comeing & in the afternoon I attended an Examining the Claims on John Bells Estate & Jonas got a pig from Capt John Moore of Derryfield

10th I paid Richard McAllester my Province Rates and John Jacobs did as much work for me as come to 1-8-0 old Tenor

11th my Wife went to London : derry and rid Richard McAllesters horse

12th James Patterson and I catched 2 salmon by drawing And he catched 1 by drawing and 1 by Setting I had one that weighed 22½ £

13th I drawed 2 petitions to go to the General Court relating to fishing

15th I heard Mr Wilson preach in Goffes town in the forenoon from the 32 Chapter of Deutonomy & 29 verse and in the afternoon from the 19th of Saint Luke and 6th verse

16th I with the other Selectmen spent the day at Mathew Littles makeing money of the invoice and settleing with Several who had borrowed of the tax money and Renewing the Notes

17th I spent the day with my bror in Law William Tolford & his son John till near night after they went away I went with Richard McAllester to Col Goffes concerning the province Rate money that he paid Goffe to carrie to the Treasurer

18th I went over to my mother in laws to see my wife who we heard had strained one of her ancles by Widow Boies and tarried there all night but when I came there I found the information was not true

19th I came home and was stooped at Capt Duncans by Lieut MacNeill and Eldr Robbins on the fishing affair and tarried with them untill Just night and I got a Quire of paper at William Duncans & pd 30/ for it

21st I held a Court between Nathaniel Gearfield Plant and Amos Chase Def the case was continued on the plant acct for more Evidence untill Thursday the 26th to Capt Walkers at ten of the Clock aforenoon

22d Mr Houston was absent from Bedford and our Heifer took Bull

23d John Jacobs Set 2 shoes on my Mares fore feet and Thos Russ sent me 40 £ old Tenor on acct of part of his Note one 8 £ bill in the Money I scruple

26th In the morning my boys finished plowing my old field above the barn and I went to Capt Walkers to hold a Court between Gearfield and Chase but Gearfield did not appear and was defaulted by Discontinuing the Suit

29th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford and went to John Smiths in Goffestown to hear Mr Emerson but he did not come and I came to the funeral of Capt Barrons son Eliseas in the Evening

30th I sent Jonas to Gearfields on an order from James Moor of Bedford for 8 bushell of Indian Corn but he got only 1 bushell of Indian and he sent one of Rie and I began to Mow at the Little Meadow in the New Cleared lot

AUGUST 5th

Mr Houston was absent from Bedford and our Black Cow took Bull

6th I stackt the hay on the New Cleared lott I had 30 cocks on it this year being the first year it was Mowed

7th We Stackt the Dispute lott and the spongs on Campbells I had 29 Cocks in the Dispute lott and 6 in Campbells lott and there was a large shower and we came home in the afternoon and I swore James Caldwell & James Caldwell Junr each to an acct and I drawed a Coppy of the Petition on the acct of the fishing at Amoskieg faulls for Abraham Meril

8th my boys began to Reap Rie in the field by my brors

9th Thos Mathies began to Reap for me at Noon and Reaped on till Saterday Night being 2 days and ½ I had 10 Stooks and 10 sheaves of

Winter Rie and 4 stooks and 6 Sheaves of Spring Rie in the field by my brors

13th I went to James Mathies in Merrymac and got 1½ Gallon of Rum and ½ a gallon of Molasses and 2 bushell of Indian Corn and pd him 12 £ old Tenor £6 for the Corn and 4–10–0 for the Rum and 1–4–0 for the Molasses and 6/ for ½ a bowl of tody and I sent Daniel Kenndall 12 £ old Tenor by Matthew Gibson and Thos Mathies reaped for me I had the Corn ground at Capt Chamberlins Mill and I had the Toal

14th Thos Mathies Reaped for me

15th was a little rain in the morning and Thos Mathies went home and I went to London : derry and Lodged at my mother in laws

16th Robt Macmurphy gave me a boar pig that weighed 39 £ and his wife gave a Churning of butter I suppose 3 £ and a Chees and Thos Mathies Reaped for me and I came home and I drawed a Complaint and Wart for Mrs Price against Mrs Holms for which and the Supeneas she paid me 5–4–0 old Tenor

17th I went to Capt Walkers to take some Depositions for John Gibson for which I gave him 2 summonses for Witnesses and a Notification to the adverse party on the 9th Instant remade up the case and I took none and in the Afternoon came on Tryal between Mrs Price and Mrs Holms I gave Judgement against Mrs Holms and she appealed and Thos Mathies and his Wife Reaped for me

19th Jonas finished Reaping in the morning I had 37 stooks and 3 sheaves in the field before the house all spring Rie and I Carted all in

20th I went to Hollis to try to get money from Abel Webster but got none

21st Abel Webster paid me in paper and Silver to the amount of 90 £ old Tenor and I sent my calf to Richard McAllesters to pasture

22d I butchered a lamb that Weighed 30 £ of Meat

23d I mowed part of the day at the little meadow and had my dinner and a pewter pint bason and a Checked linnen handkirchief carried off & Elizth Patten came to spin at our house

24th I drawd an acct for George Addison against his fathers Estate and swore him to the acct unpaid

25th I paid Ensn Daniel Moor the bottle full of Rum I borrowed from him about the first of this month

30th I sent Joseph Farmer 5 peistereens and a 40 Shilling bill old Tenor and I sent Samuell Barnet forty pound old Tenor pr my John towards what I owe Them for what Grain I had off them

31st Thos Maclaughlin helped me Mow at the little Meadow

SEPTEMBER FIRST

I sent Capt John Stark a Moidore by my John and I finished mowing at the Little meadow

3d I finished Rakeing hay all but one Cock at the little meadow I had in all at the meadow this year 205 Cocks the night before there came a frost that killed the Corn leaves and pumkin leaves and the night following a frost again but not so hard as the night before

4th I butchered a Ewe that weighed 44¾ £ of meat and the boys and I went to the Little meadow and Stackt one stack of 31 Cocks and 13 Cocks of another

5th I finished Stacking hay at the Little meadow

6th I began to Mow at home

7th I hunted bees at Samuell Pattersons place but got none

8th I got 2 bushell of Rie ground at Col Goffes

9th Mr Houston was in Goffestown

10th I spent the day in drawing Widow Bells acct on her Late husbands Estate and Examining the claims on said Estate there has been frost every night since the 3d Instant except one which has done great Damage to the Indian Corn as is Generaly supposed and Robt Liveingston Cut 2 boars for me

12th I made a handle to Capt Walkers hand Saw it began to Rain the Night before and rained all day and all the night following

13th it still continued to rain in the morning and I finished wheting a hand saw for John Quig and I went up to Goffestown with Samuel Blodget and found the West Line of his Farm for which and a Coppy of a Vote and a plan of his Farm he gave me the value of a Dollar and 3 pence over

14th In the Evening I went to Joseph McCartney and writ a deed from Thos Boies to McCartney & and acknowledged it and a Deed from Joseph McCartney and his wife and William Addams of Chester and his wife and David Morrison of London : Derry and his wife to James and John Boies Thos Boies answers the writing one deed and Joseph McCartney gave me his note for all the other writings being 3 £ old Tenor on Intrest

15th William Holms and Mrs Price settled their affair and Holms paid the Costs the Charge amounted to £ 50–10–0 Holms gave me a Note for 16–16–0 old Tenor for my part of the Charge on Intrest

17th The night before and this morning was a great frost so that the ground was somewhat hard

19th was a Training in Bedford and I took in Supperscriptions to the Petition concerning the fishing at Namaskeg and I fined David Willson of London : derry for swearing one profane Oath in my hearing

20th I fined Robt MacNight 10s/ for a breach of the peace he paid 7 £ old Tenor to the officer and the Guard and the fine and I went to Mr Russes and gave Capt John Stark an order on sd Russ for 60 £ old Tenor and Russ accepted and Endorsed the order

22d I had 15½ £ of butter from Jean Patterson toward hay that her husband is to have from me and Elizabeth Patten went home from Spining she came here the 23d of last August and I sowed the bit of Corn ground before the Barn with Wheat and I writ a Deed from James Wallace to Gan Riddell of his place I charged 40/ Gan paid me 20/ and Wallace owes the other 20/ yet

23d Mr Houston assisted Mr MacGregore at his Sacrament

24 & 25th I assisted at makeing the Province and Ministers Rates at Matthew Littles our Expenses for these 2 days and 1 day we were there this summer Renewing the Notes of the tax money came to 8–16–0 on the 25th I lent Ensn William Blair 2–5–0 old Tenor

26th I recorded the province and ministers Rates and Warrants and I paid a peistereen for 2 pounds of hony to Jean Barnett for my mother

27th I cleared up 8 bushell of Rie and 2 of Litchfield Selectmen came to treat with me about my laying out the road in Derryfield and Litchfield and I told them that if I got my money paid quick and without trouble I would take 4½ Dollars but if not I would have as it was Taxed

28th I plowed in the field SW of the Barn and I Cleaned up 3 bushell of Rie and a little more

29th I settled with Thos Mathies for what he and his wife Reaped for me what he Reaped for me came to £16-5-0 and what his wife Reaped came to ½ a bushell of Rie and I paid him this day 2 bushell of Rie and I Cleaned up almost 2 bushell of rie so near that the odd quarts yesterday would make it up 2 bushell

30th I heard Mr Wikens in Goffes town preach from the 22d of Revalations and 12th verse and Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM SEPTEMBER 30th 1764

OCTOBER FIRST

I got a steel Trap from Samuell Caldwells negroe of James Wallace which I am to have for my own on my likeing it for 2 Dollars with the Chain and I recd 18£ old Tenor from Col Goffe toward fitting me out to go to Veiw the township he is about to get Above Cohass and an order on Col Baily for what other stores I need

2d I sowed between 8 and 9 bushell of Rie & some Wheat at the back of the house and I recd An order from Robert Walker of Merrymac on Samuell Barnet of 4 £ old Tenor toward a Writ and entry & Tryal of a Case between him and his bror Thos

3d Matthew Little changed me two Dollars for 12 £ and I settled with James Patterson for my Expences with him and Lieut Little at Amoskieg last spring and I owe them above what fish I let them have 3 : 10 : 0 old Tenor my whole Expence was 8 : 18 : 0 and I gave them 27 shad a 4s/ each came to 5 : 8 : 0 and I writ an order to Jas Patterson on Robert Walker of Merrymac for the 3 : 10 : 0 and I finished sowing Rie I have sowed 9 bushell and about 26 Quarts yesterday and to day which is the whole of what Rie I have sowed this fall and I have sowed more than ½ a bushell of Wheat this faull

4th I Carried a Web to my Cousen William Patten to be Wove and I proceeded to Boston and Rid all night

6th I deeded away my Right in no 3 on Penobscot River to Samuell Treat of Boston Cooper for 25 Dollars and he paid me the money and I set out and came to Woburn and lodged at Mr Wymans over Sabath day

7th I heard Mr Shearman preach from the 11th of Mat: & 6th Verse & Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

8th I arrived home some time after midnight

9th I got 6½ £ of pork from Thos Boiess wife att ½ a pistereen pr £ I paid her 3 pistereens and I owe her for ½ £ of pork yet

10th I got 3½ bushell of Rie ground at Col Goffes mill and I had there one Jill of Rum & ½ a mug of Tody on Credit

11th I attended the funeral of William Whits Junr Wife and I recd 4s/ old Tenor from John Clerk for a prize Wart and Advertisements I writ for William Nutt for a heifer Nutt pounded of Clerks and 40s/ old Tenor from Robert Kennedy being what he owed for some deeds that I put on Record for him

12th I went to Londonderry and got ½ an ounce of Heiryspickery from Doctor Thornton and paid him 16s/ and I paid George Duncan all the taxes on the Right I owned in no 3 on Penobscut River being two Notes one of 46 £ old Tenor it was given at 7 £ pr Dollar and I paid it at 6 £ The note was for 6½ dollars & 10s/ old Tenor it is to be laid before the Comtee and I got 100 of Nails from William Duncan and I paid 28s/ for them and I paid Col: Goffe for the ½ bowle of tody and the Jill of Rum I had there on Credit on the 10th Instant.

13 I spent in fitting to go to the woods which I intend Next Monday

14th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

15th I set out in Company with Deacon Robert Walker to go and Veiw a township above Cohass that Col: Goffe is geting and arived at Pennykook and lodged at Mrs Osgoods

16th I lodged at Bowins at Bakers town

18th Arived at Plymouth

25th We set out from Plymouth to go to Co:os and Campt over Bakers River and afterward was Informd that my Mother Departed this Life about Midnight after a Considerable Lingering Illness

26th It fell a Snow at Bakers River of 7 inches deep Exceeding wet and Solid and we built a Camp

27th my Mother was intered and we lay by

28th was Sabath day we lay by

29th We proceeded on our Journey in Company with Mr Locks famely and Campt at the 15 mile tree

30th We arived at Co:os and lodged at Majr Topplins

31st arived at Col: Bayleys and tarried there untill the 7th of November in Which time we Made a Logg Canno

NOVEMBER 7th

set up Connecticut River

10th we arived at the mouth of Peezumsuck River and Searched the land untill the 16th at Night

17th The River was Froze so that we could not move our Canno & left her in the mouth of Peezumsuck River and Set out on foot for Co:os

18th arived at Col: Bayleys

20th Came to Majr Topplins and lodged there

21st Set out for home and Campt at the 10 mile tree

24th arived at Plymouth and lodged at Ensn Hobarts Camp

28th Arived home about the middle of the day I was absent 6 weeks and 3 days we spent about a week in Hunting and we Catched 5 Beaver and a Sapple while I was at Peezumsuck River I sold my Traps to John Lahhe for a Gun and a pair of Silver Buckles and papuss Beaver skin which I got and took his note of hand for 12 saple skins on their face value in

money to be paid on demand with Intrest at 10 pr Cent pr annum untill pd Which note I left with Maj^r Toplin of Co:os to Receive for me when Lahhe came in our Entertainment at Col: Bayleys and what Provisions we Carried out with us came to 2-3-6 Lawfull money being 7¼ Dollars which he advanced to us on an order from Col: Goffe which acct was Settled and Signed a Receipt on the back of the order to the amount of 2:2:0 Lawfull money and brot a bill from under his hand of the Charge

DECEMBER FIRST

I carried some worsted and Woolen yearn to Mrs Marston in Derryfield to be Wove Which she promised to Weave in 5 weeks and I got 14 £ of Tallow from James Patterson I am to have it at the price it is at Boston & I got a worm for my Gun from John Gillmor which he gave me

3^d Returned Col: Goffe his Gun that I had out into Woods and Spent the day Waiting on him concerning the Discovery we made of the Township we went to Veiw

4 & 5th I spent at the Raising of David McClures Barn

6th I Cleaned almost 3 bushell of Rie

7th I got it Ground at Blaisdells Mill

8th I Got 3 bushell of Pottatoes from Thomas Boies on Credit

10th I got 10 Tile from Deacon Walker and some broken Brick on Credit

11th I laid the bottom of our Oven

13th & 14th I got 2 pots mended with Each a foot & a beal and my mare shod the whole Charges came to 4:10:0 old Tenor with Daniel Moor

15th I got one bushell of Potatoes from Thos Boies on Credit

17 I mended at our Windows and set the Glass in a new frame & sashes for the back side bed Room

18th Deacon Walker & I Divided our fur I got 5¼ £ of Beaver and the Deacon got 4½ and one ounce I had 11 ounces more than him and ballanced What Stores we carried into the woods and what money we paid out on our Journey and I had paid 1:19:8 more than the Deacon beside about 2½ pound of pork I carried from home

19th I borrowed a large Trea heaped full of Rie Meal from Pattersons folk and I got 3 bushell of of potatoes from Thomas Boies on Credit the night following it snowed a deep snow it has snowed about every other day for a Considerable time

20th I spent the day on Examining James Little and William Holms on their Constableships at Matthew Littles and Mr Houston had desired to be with us & altho we sent him word he did not attend and we appointed to meet next Wednesday being the 26th and sent Mr Houston word and Jonas Cleaned up 5½ bushell of Rie

21st I went to Blasdells Mill and Carried 2 bushell of Rie and almost ½ a bushell of Wheat and had it Ground

22^d I carried 3½ bushell of Rie to Blasdells Mill but did not get it ground

24th I went to Mill and got the Rie I took to Mill on the 22^d Ground and I gave Col Goffe the Commission for Examining the Claims on John Bells estate to send down to have it lengthed out

25th I had a horse from Col: Goffe and went to Londonderry to my Mother in laws

26th Was a Violent Storm of snow from the N : E : and I lay by

27th I Came to Widow Duncans and I got ¼ of a pound of Tea ½ Do. of Coffie 5 Do of Shugar & ½ ounce of snuff on Credit it came to 7 : 3 : 0 old Tenor and came home in the Evening

28th I got an Ax from Daniel Moor and John Gillmor that they laid for me and I paid Matthew Littles wife a pound of Shugar that my wife borrowed when I was in Derry on the 25th

29th Was a great Storm of Snow

JANUARY FIRST 1765

on the 2d we broke the way to the Little Meadow the snow is more than two feet deep and on the first I Carried an Ax to Daniel Moor and John Gillmor to be laid

4th & 5th John Kidder had Jonas and my oxen helping him home with Hay from the Little meadow on the 4th I butchered our spotted Hog he weighed 7 score

7th In the Evening my wife was taken with Travail pains so that she slept but little the night following

8th She Continued in pains and I got 5 Quarts & a Jill of Rum from Matthew Little the Night following my wife was in sharp pains all Night so that she could not ly in bed

9th in the forenoon I gathered the Woman and about four of the Clock in the afternoon she was Delivered of a Man Child by Deacon Gillmors wife as Midwife and Esther Patterson & Hannah Davis sit up with the Child the Night following

10th Sarah McCurdy came to our house to wait on my Wife and Elizth Moor and Margret Gillmoor Sit up with the Child the Night following

11th I got 2 Quarts of Rum from Matthew Little and I went to Widow Duncans and got 5 Quarts of Mollasses and a pound of Coffie ¼ of a pound of tea and 5 pound of Shugar and 6 pound of Rice on Credit

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on the 7th I attended a meeting at Matthew Littles of the subscribers for the township Deacon Walker and I was out this faull a Veiwing and I got an ax that Daniel Moor and John Gillmor Laid for me

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14th I went to Mr Marstins and got 12¾ yards of Cloath his wife wove for us and I paid her 4–19–0 for weaveing it and 8s/ old Tenor over that she could not give me for want of Change

16th I went to Widow Duncans and got 5 Quarts of Mollasses and a Gallon of Rum and 12 Dearning needles on Credit before this John Kidder went 4 Days to the meadow for me one day he brot 2 load

17 & 18th I brot a load of Hay from the Meadow the Night following the 18th it fell a snow of about 7 inches deep

19th It drifted vilolently

21st I brot a load of hay from the little meadow

22 23 24 & 25th I brot a load of hay each day from the Meadow

26th I brot 2 Load of hay from the Meadow

28th I brot 2 Load of hay from the Meadow which finished I had 16 Load and a Stack I let Samuell Patterson have of about a Tun and a half in it

29th I held a Court at Matthew Littles Wherein John Combs of Merrimac was Compt and Brag Wilkins of Amherst was Respondant I took a note of Capt Read and Lieut Andrew Bradford for my fees being 2 : 9 : 0 new Tenor

30th I bot a Bushell of Rie from Samuell Moor and I paid him 1–15–7 Bay old Tenor toward it

31st Jonas got the Rie from Samuell Moor that I bot yesterday and he Ground it and I had the Toal for pay

FEBRUARY FIRST

I put the handle into an ax for John Kidder and he Cut wood for me the while I was doing it and I let Maj Moors son Abraham have one half of a Raw Cow hide to string snow shoes to be Settled off in what I owe the Majr

4 & 5th I strung my Snow Shoes with new Stringing of the other half of my Cows skin and I filled an old pair of Bow of Daniel MacMurphys for my boys

6th I went to John Orrs in Goffes town and got a bushell of Rie from him I had put a deed on Record for him and we are to settle the matter afterwards

7th I spent the day at Matthew Littles Examining Richard McAllester on his Constableship and with Mr Houston and James Little on his Constableship

8th I went to Mr Russes and Recd 40–2–0 old Tenor on his note

9th I went to Widow Duncans and got 5 Quarts of Molasses 1 pound of Coffie 5 pounds of Shugar and a Quire of Paper on Credit they amounted to 9–7–6 old Tenor

11th Nathaniel Patterson sowed on a pair of soles on a pair of pumps

12th I went to Majr Moors in order to pay him some money he was willing to take his money from Abel Webster and I left his note with Maj Moor and a line to have him pay the Majr the money and I tarried at Deacon Cochranes over night

13th I bot 4 bushell of Rie from Deacon Cochrane and I pd him 17 £ old Tenor and half a Dollar in Silver for it and I sent James Little an Almanack

14th I got 2 hatts from Deacon William Moore which he brot from Mr Nehemiah Rand one of them was Clear Beaver the other was Mixed with rakoon

18th I sett out to go to Nottingham West to run round the town to find the Centre

27th I finished the busness

28th I got £ 15 of Twine from Mr Gordons shopkeeper a 19/6 pr £ and I gave my Note for the money being 1–9–3 Sterling money of Great Britan to be paid the first of July with Intrest but if it is paid by the

time it is to pay none and I came to Litchfield and tarried at Lieut John Parkers

MARCH FIRST

I run lines Dividing the Estate between Lieut Parker and his bror Alexander for which Alex gave me 3 £ and I would not take anything from the Lieut and tarried at the Lieuts that night

2d I came home

4th I went to Litchfield to get Grain and Lodged at William Pattersons

5th I got 12 bushell of Indian Corn from William Patterson on Credit and I got 4½ bushell of Rie and ½ a bushell of Indian Corn from Jacob Heldreth and I had the Toal of the 12 bushell I had from Patterson and Heldreth let me have 6 quarts to make up the Toal of the 12 bushell a bushell for the Rie and Indian I had from Heldreth I pd him 28-10-0 old Tenor and what grain I had from Heldreth he took no Toal and I swore him to 3 accts and I writ the Caption and I took nothing from him for them and Patterson and Lieut Parker and Gibsons son helped me to Lieut Reads with the Meal with their Horses and Lieut Parker got his brors Alexanders horse and I got a bushell of Peas from Samll Gibson on his sons Johns acct for what service I did for him last summer in his Case with Mr Bradford and Jonas brot my Team & met me at Reads ferry and I got it all home

6th I had William Barnetts mare and took her as far as Robt Alexanders and then got Lieut Reads mare and went and got two bushell of mishlin from William Patterson that he got from Gibson and I got it ground at Heldreths and I had the Toal for swearing him to an acct and I paid him for half a bushell of Rie that I could not bring away and Patterson owes me half a bushell of mishlin on Gibsons acct & Patterson paid Gibson Two Dollars for the 2 Bushell and a half of Mishlin and I got 2 bushell of Rie from Lieut Read on Esq Underwoods acct and I paid Esqr Underwood a Dollar towards it and I owe him four pounds of it yet and brot the Meal and Rie home and had a ewe lamb in the Evening

In the night of the 7th we had a ewe lambd we see it morning of the 8th

10th In the morning we had 2 lambs

11th I bot 21¾ £ of butter from James Little he gave in the ¾ and charged 21 £ and I paid him 10s/ Bay old Tenor while I was at Nottingham my wife got 7½ £ of Butter from James Little and she gave him 50s/ old Tenor he gave in the ¼ and we had a Ewe lambd

12th In the morning we had a ewe lambd

14th John McConohee paid me up the remainder of his note for the Meadow lot in the Ash Swamp being a Dollar and 10s/ old Tenor towards the Intrest and he gave his note for 3 £ old Tenor being the remainder of the Intrest

15th I pd James Moor 2-12-6 Bay old Tenor for a bushell of Rie and a bushell of Corn I had from Nathaniel Gearfield on his acct last Summer & I writ Giffins advertisement & a ewe lambd & it died

16th I got 3 £ of shugar from Matthew Little and I had a pound this

week before and I attended the funeral of Deacon Walkers Daughter Sarah

18th I got 1½ bushell of Potatoes from Matthew Little and a bushell from Deacon Gillmoor the day before viz 17th on Sabathday we had a Ewe lamb

19th I run lines for Deacon Smith and Matthew McDuffee The most of the remainder of this week I knit at the Fly net and writing a letter to Mr Houston for the Selectmen

24th There fell a Snow about 13 or 14 inches deep and Very solid the snow was Very wet

25th We had a Ewe lambd in the night before and she had no milk for it and we fed it with Eggs and a little milk we got from the other Ewes untill the next day and the Ewe had no appearance of milk

26th We gave it to Ensign Thos MacLaughlin

27th was the annual March meeting and I was chose 1st Selectman and town Clerk and one of the Fence Veiwers and prizers of Damages and to take ⅓ of the Invoice The Remainder of the week I spent in writing

APRIL FIRST

I spent the afternoon on Examining the claims on John Bells Estate -

2d I attended the meeting of the new Township and I gave an order to the Treasurer for Fergus Kennedy Thos Boies William Barnet and Matthew Little that I had recd the Dollar and a half from Each of them and I recd a Johanna in money on acct of my being out last faull

3d I with the other Selectmen laid out a highway from Strawbury hill road between John MacLaughlins and John Bells and continued east to the southeast corner of my place where I live and attended the March Meeting by adjournment and after the meeting was over we met at John Bells and drawed the Surveyors Warts our Expences Was £3 old Tenor on this days busness to John Bell

5th was the Province Fast Mr Houston preacht one Sermon as I heard and I gave Widow Mathies an order on Francis Barnett for a bushell of Rie

6th I began to Plow and in the afternoon and I went and run round Thos Maclaughlins place where he lives for his Mowing a day for me last hay time in the Little Meadow and I writ a letter to Mr Houston to let him know how many Sabbathdays the town had voted him away the Ensuing year

7th Sabathday I sent Mr Houston a line to inform him how many Sabathdays the town had Voted him away the Ensuing year by my brors daughter Elizabeth

8th I began a contrivance to make Ropes for our fly net and in the afternoon I attended on examining the Claims to John Bells Estate

9th I writ a Summons for John Bell for seven evidences on acct of his fathers Estate and I sowed about 14 quarts of peas

10th I had Richard McAlesters horse and I went to Litchfield and I got nine or ten Quarts of wheat and a peck of Barly and a bushell of Peas

from John Quig and I left a Johanna with him to pay for it and to buy a bushell of peas for Richard McAlester he sent a dollar with me for that end and I got half a bushell of Barly from Gibson and I could not pay for it for want of change

11th I went to my bror in laws Alexander MacMurphys and lodged there that night

12th I came and they gave me a mess of Ells and a Sucker that was catched in their wear and a boiling or two of Pork and Alexander McColum brot a pair of shoes for Jonas that Archibald Macmurphy made

13th I went to Jos Wallace to try to get him for Alexander Macmurphy and I took some part of the Invoice and I sowed the remainder of my peas and 59 Quarts of wheat in the cow yard

15th & 16th I spent in Examination of the Claims to John Bells Estate

17th I took up the remainder of my apple trees at Clogstons and I got 11 Plum trees from Capt Walker and I settled with John Roby on his note and I alowed his daughter Lydas wages out of the note and he is to give me half a bushell of Peas or the Value of them in other grain and he paid me £12 old Tenor and I took his note for the remainder of what he owes me the price of the Peas is put into the note

18th Our heifer Calved in the afternoon toward night

19th I went to Goffestown to measure a peice of land that 2 man for Mr Samll Blodget and lodged at Thos Karr Junr

20th I finished measuring it and I charged £3 Bay old Tenor and Foster one of the men pd me £1-10-0 the ½ of it and Tweed the other of them owes me the other half yet and I went to the Ceder swamp and cut a fishing pole and brot it hom

21st Mr Houston was at New Boston

23d I had Capt Goffes mare and I went to Robt Ushars and I got 5 Quarts of Molasses from his Wife and I am to pay it in ashes and from there I went to Litchfield and I got ½ a bushell of Feed Corn from William Patterson and some quarts of beans which he gave me and I got ½ a bushell of Mishlin on Samll Gibsons acct that he was paid for in the winter and I got the ½ bushell of Rie from Heldreth that I bot of him last March and he let me have ½ a bushell of Rie more and I pd him 19s/ in silver for it and I had the toal of the ½ bushell of mishlin and I pd 2 copers for it and Lieut Read gave me a Quart of Wheat to sow and I paid Quig a dollar toward the peas and Wheat and barly I had of him

24th I got 4 bushell of potatoes from Thos Boies and I paid him 3 dollars in the new township affair and I owe £4 old Tenor of all the potatoes I have had from him this year The whole of what potatoes I had from him is 11 bushell came to £22 old Tenor and I had William Barnetts mare and brot the 4 bushell home and I swore Willm Barnett to an acct and I got something more than ½ a bushell of Turnips from Lieut Moors wife to set out

25th I went to the farm between and new boston and I brot home the Nursery I sowed there to set out at home

26th I sowed 6 quart pot fulls of wheat and a little more by the Well and I planted out the Nursery and I paid Elizabeth Patten 1-7-6 Bay old

Tenor Toward her Spining for us last faul or Summer and I gave William McClure a Writ against Cox of Dunstable to be tryed the 13th of May

27th I borrowed a pair of half Soles from James Patterson and I got Nathaniel Patterson to Sow them on and Jonas workt in his room while he was doing it

29th I had Matthew Littles horse and I went to Litchfield and I paid William Patterson 3 dollars toward what I owe him and he gave me an order on Widow Russell for a peck of spring wheat which I got and he gave me 2 quarts of flaxseed and Harveys wife gave me a quart and Whitimore a quart and John Butterfield a quart and Betty Gibson a quart and Quig I suppose near 2 quarts and John Parker a quart and I came home by the way of Col Goffes

MAY FIRST

I sowed a peck of Wheat by the Well and in the Garden and some Barley in the garden and James Patterson gave me 2 quarts of flaxseed and Lieut Moors wife gave me 2 Quarts and Deacon Gillmors wife gave me almost 2 Quarts more there fell a fine rain the ground is well refreshed it has been very dry for some time by past & I pd Lieut Moor 40s/ of the Province rates

2d I took some of the Invoice and I got between 2 and 3 quarts of flaxseed from Richard McAlester

3d the Selectmen recd the preceipt for Amherst and Bedford to Chuse a Representative and I drawed the Wart for Bedford Constable for a meeting for end to meet at Ensn Daniel Moors barn on Monday the 20th Instant at 10 of the Clock forenoon

4th I carried the Wart to the Constable

5th Mr Houston was in Goffestown

6th Daniel Moor made 2 plow plates the one was of my iron and the other of his his weighed 1½ & 3 ounces the charge is 33/ old Tenor

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MAY 6 1765

7th My boys and I went to the little meadow and pickt up the Stuff that was fell down and mended some at the fence

8th I gave Alexr Orr a Writ against George Cowan

9 & 10th I had John McLaughlin Juniors and John Kidders Oxen and I plowed the Grass ground above the Barn on the 9th our black Cow Calved

11th I finished plowing in the morning and I had John Clogstons mare to mill I cleaned up the 2 bushell of Rie I had of Lieut Read last March and there was only 1½ bushell and 10 Quarts and about the 3d of a Quart which I took to mill today and John Kidder had Jonas and my oxen more than half the day helping him break up

13th John Kidder helped me the forenoon and the bigest part of the afternoon a planting potatoes & in the afternoon I determined a Case between William McClure and William Cox they afterwards agreed the Case and Cox pd me half the Cost which was 6 pound and McClure owes me £ 5-8-0 of the other half he found the writ blank for which I

alowed him 12/ his half was £ 6 also and Mr Cox brot me a Gridiron that he made for me toward my being at Dunstable Runing the Lines for him in the Controversie between him and Jos Aeyrs when the refferies determined their affair

14th Jonas and my Oxen helped John Kidder the forenoon and I had his oxen in the afternoon and I got 4 pound of hogs fat from Gan Riddell for which I pd him 18s/ Bay old Tenor

15 & 16th I had the Rose on my left Leg and I sweat the 15th and Jonas had Kidders Oxen and Harrowed the Grass ground I plowed up with Pattersons Harrow and on the 16th Kidder had my oxen the afternoon Harrowing his new land

17th I sowed about 18½ Quarts pot fulls of flaxseed and about 4 quarts of Barly on our last years Potatoe land and the boys began to Plant Corn and this day I did nothing but sowing by reason of my indisposition about these days I finished Kniting the fly net weighing about £ 15 of Twine and will hang about 92 feet in the Ropes it is in 2 parts

18th I butchered the black Cows Calf it weighed £ 34 and I fitted up a Pole and bow and I went to Amoskeig Falls and Thos Karr Junior gave me a Shad and I left my net in Calys old house

19th Mr Houston was at New boston

20th I writ a deed from Lieut Moor to Thos Murdough of the half of Esquire Savages Right & I took the acknowledgement al unpd and I attended on a Meeting of Amherst and Bedford to Chuse a Representative and was chose Moderator and they elected and made choice of Col John Goffe Esqr to Represent said towns in the General Assembly he had 59 Votes and there was 24 for Capt Barron 2 of the 24 was not good and were put in by James Lyon and John Gillmor

21st I held a Court between Alexr Orr Plant and George Cowan Deft the Case is Continued untill Tuesday the 11th of June next and I went to the Falls and I catched 4 Shad and I gave Robt Ushar a prize Wart for a mare he had pounded and drawed a Notification for the sale I charged 40s/ old Tenor unpaid it was done at James Cowens Request and Sent by him to ushar

22d I got a peck of flaxseed from Robt Walker and I am to pay Richard McAlester for it and I got £4 of hog fat from Thos Boies Wife and I pd her 18s/ in Bay old Tenor for it and I paid her ⅔ Bay old Tenor for half a pound of pork I did not pay her for When I got some pork from her last faull

23d I finished drawing a Complaint and Warrant for John Martain against Abrham johnson for an assault and Battery charged £ 5 old Tenor unpaid and I went to the faulls and I catched 29 shad and got them home Robt Walkers boy brot them on his mare to Francis Barnett and the boys Carried them from there

24th I carried a peck of flaxseed to Thos Halls for Alexander MacMurphy I had it from Robt Walker and I went to the faulls and I catched 40 shad and I had 10 of them Stole that Night

25th john brot home 58 shad on my brors mare and Richard McAlesters boy brot home 69 Shad and I brot home 6

27 28 & 29th I got home 140 and in these 3 days I brot 2 bushells and 20 Quarts of Salt for which I gave 90 Shad

30th I went to Amherst and took a number of Depositions for Samuell Gray against Solomon Hutchinson and I took his and Col Shepards note for £1 : 7 : 0 Sterling for my Service

31st I came home and jonas got home 20 shad and £12 of Salmon he had 30 shad but I paid Eber Johnson 10 that I borrowed from him on the 29th

JUNE FIRST

I got 20 shad

3d I catched 13 shad and I got 10 shad from John McConoughy towards his Note

4th I went Amoskeig falls and Col Goffe and I finished the list of Claims of John Bells Estate and attested to it before justice Walker and I recd the Value of 30s/ of Silver money from Thos Karr Junr for Tweeds part of my surveying the land he and Foster cleard on Blodgetts farm and I gave him the plan and I recd 4–16–0 old Tenor for the Compt & Wart that I drawed for John Martain against Abraham johnson and I pd Lieut Pate 3–12–0 old Tenor for 3 pounds of Tobacca and some Expences I was at his house some years ago

6 7 & 8th I fished at Amoskeig falls and with what I got before made 433 shad with the 10 I had off John McConoughy

9th was Sacrament in Bedford

10th I fished at the falls and got 38 shad

11th Went to Matthew Littles to hold a Court between Alexr Orr Plant and Geroge Cowen Deft and Continued the case till next Monday at ten of the Clock a forenoon and I went to John Bells and Writ a Deed from Robt Giffin to Samll & John McConoughy and notes &c and charged Giffin 20s/ and McConoughys 28s/ and john paid me a pistereen and Giffins part unpd

12th I got 9 shad

13th I and the rest of the Selectmen spent in drawing Warts to the surveys of Highways to repair Piscataquog Bridge and about jenny Cons Child

14th I carried McDuffie his Wart and and sent Ensn Moor his by my bror Samll and in the afternoon I went to Mr Russes to meet the partners of the place called the Gallos we settled the charge was £85–10–0 old Tenor came to £9–10–0 each old Tenor and I am to pay my part to Moses Sentar and I tarried at Mr Russes over night at free cost

15th before I came away I Acknowledged a Deed for Mr Russ which he gave his son james and I writ an Acquitance from him to his fathers Estate and Acknowledged it and would take no pay because he keept me over night at free cost and I came and fished at our new seting place in Company with Stillson Eastman for Samll Richards and I got 8 shad and half a salmon and 3 shad I got the Evening before and one before I Joynd with Eastman made 12 in all

17th I Attended to hold a Court by adjournment between Alexr Orr and George Cowen it was to held by at ten of the Clock in the forenoon and

we waited till near two o Clock and then called the case and Orr not appearing was Defaulted and I got Mathew Littles horse to go to Haverhill for grain and I went and lodged at my Mother McMurphys

18th I went to Haverhill and bot 8 bushell of Corn from Osgoods man and filled it into 4 bags and I brot 4 bushell of it away and I left 4 bushell of it there in two bags and I came and lodged at my Mother McMurphys

19th I came to Alexr McMurphys and he ground the 4 bushell and I came home

20th I filled 6 blank Deeds for Capt Karr and went to meet him to Piscataquog bridge according to appointment but he did not come and I went to the Falls and brot home my two long Net poles home

21st James Patterson & I began to bore in the Rock between the Pulpit and Sullivans point to make a place to fish we Drilled one hole of 20 inches Deep next to the Pulpit and another toward the point of near 4 our Expences was 10s/ old Tenor we had john Gillmors Drill and hand hamer and we was 2s/ old Tenor of ferriag at Halls

22d James Patterson and I went to work at the same place at Amoskeig we borrowed a hornfull of Powder from Deacon Gillmor and we borrowed a Drinking glass almost full of powder from the Company that was blowing on the East side (viz) Samll Dickey and Com. and we made a fine blast on the point below the pulpit our Expences was 10s/ and 1 s/ for ferriage

23d our Heifer took Bull with Mathw Littles bull and Mr Houston was at New boston

24th I went to Deacon Walkers and we drawed our acct of our being out last faull to lay before the Comtee and I sent by james Patterson to Boston for several Articles and sent 55s/ Bay old Tenor and £5¾ of Beaver

25th I spent the day for john Bell in Drawing his administration acct and other writings relating to it all day and I got a pair of pinns that Samuel Patterson made for me and some Cabage plants from john Bell

26th our black Cow took Bull with Mathw Littles Bull and I got a large boil of ash in the west end of the School lotts to make a dish

28 & 29th I went up to Goffestown and Measured the land that Elexr Wells sold to Samll Huse for which he gave me a Dollar for it and I writ the Deed from Wells to Huse & acknowledged it for which Huse gave me 10s/ old tenr and I lay at Aaron Wells and on the 29th I run lines awhile for Eleazr Wells and I acknowledged a Deed for him and another for Moses Wells for which they paid me 39/s old Tenr and I acknowledged another for Elear for which he paid me 20/s and I measured a peice of land that john Ordway sold to Mr Rowel and did some toward Dividing the lot Rowel lives on between him and Capt Wells for which he gave me a bushell of Meal and ½ a Peistereen and I came home in the Evening and Moses Wells boy brot the meal as far as Deacon Gillmors

JULY FIRST

I went into woods and I got a knot for a dish and Stuff for 3 Treas of Poplar & for 4 Scoop net bows and fell two White Ash trees

2d I made the bows and one Trea and I went along with john Bell to Spaldings in Merrymac to assist him against his Mother Bell who prosecuted him for lying on her we tarried all night but got no sleep and I got home after Sun rise

3d I got john McLaughlin junrs Horse and I went to Londonderry and I brot home the 4 bushell of corn I left in Haverhill on the 18th of june last Robt McMurphys john brot it to their house and he ground it and I left 2 bags and 6 : 6 : 0 Mass old Tenor with him to send to Haverhill to buy Corn for me and james Patterson brot me 2 hats from Mr Nehemiah Rand and he paid him 3 dollars and he brot me ¼ pound of Rice ½ £ of peper a quire of paper a bottle of snuff 1½ £ of powder and 3 £ of shot the Beaver I sent brot 11 £ Bay old Tenor and 55/s Bay old Tenor I sent by him in cash Which money bot the several Articles and the Dollar he paid Mr Rand and 2/9 Bay old Tenor over

4th I paid James Vose the bushell of Meal that I borrowed of him on the 25th of last may and I married John Vickere & Hannah Davis

5th I writ a Deed from old Mr Vickere to his two daughters viz Phebe Vose and Hannah Vickere I charged 40/s old Tenor unpaid and I writ a deed from Mathw to Majr White of No 13 in the 4th rang sold for Tax May 1st 1759 and Capt Lovewell came and Summoned me to appear at Mathies in the afternoon and I got my brors mare and went there and tarried all night The case was between Elnathan Blood Compt & Abel Webster Respt they agreed the affair a little before the break of Day

6th I came home about 9 a Clock in the morning I gave in my fees to be Cleared in the house and in the afternoon I attended at Mathw Littles on the Comitee for Examining Deacon Walkers and my Accts of our being out last faull and I took the acknowledgement of the Deed I writ the day before from Mathw Little to Majr White

7th Mr Houston was in Goffestown

9th I finished makeing three Rakes for john Thomas and I finished makeing a little Trea

10th I went to Litchfield and attested before justice Underwood that the Claims to john Bells Estate was returned in old Tenor to the judge

11th I helped to lay a Hair Rope for our fly nett I found the hair ready teazed and james Patterson and Thomas McLaughlin Span it and helped to lay it it was 24 yards long I fitted considerable at the Corks

12th I turned at the Corks about ⅔ of the day and about the Middle of the afternoon I went to Capt John Moors Barn Raising

13th I worked about ½ the day and finished the Corks being 54 in Number and I drawed a journal of Deacon Walkers and my journey to an at Peezumsuck last fall and tended on a Comittee to Examin our accts but we could not agree two of them would at length have alowed £ 150 Each old Tenor and found our Selves which we refused

14th Mr True preached in Bedford for Mr Houston and he preached for Mr True

15th the night before we had our heifer ly out alone she came to the cattle about 11 o Clock in the forenoon

16th I pd John Bell 6 sheets of paper I borrowed from him this Summer

and I Married Dr Benj Tiffeny and Sarah Karr in the Evening and in the day I fell a White Ash beyond the meeting house and yesterday & today I got Stuff home for five Treas

17th James Patterson and Thos Maclaughlin and I Tyd on our fly net as far as we had rop

18th I had John MacLaughlins horse and I went to Robt McMurphys and got 4 bushell of Corn that his John brot from Haverhill for me I left the bags and £ 6-6-0 Bay old Tenor on the 3d Instant with Robt to buy it and I left £ 5-15-0 Bay old Tenor and two bags with his wife to send to Haverhill for 4 bushell of corn more and I brot the corn to Alexr McMurphys and tarried over night

19th I helped him at framing his Mill and getting some sticks out of the pond and he ground the Corn and I came home in the Evening

22d I made 6 Corks and helped with Thos McLaughlin near ½ the day in finishing hanging our fly net and I went to Matthew Littles to settle with John Little and James Patterson for my Expences at Amoskeig this Spring and I was £1-16-0 old Tenor in their book and altho I settled with Jas Patterson for my last years Expences it was not Crost out till this day I got it done

23 & 24th I made at some Treas and on the 24th I sent joseph Farmer the 7 £ I owed him for Rie I had from him fall was a year by my john I purpose to alow him for waiting for it

25th I with the other Selectmen Examined William Holms on his Constableship for the year 1762 and he Rendered acct of his whole Collections except 4-13-0 old Tenor for which he gave his Note and we gave him an acquitance and we signed over his note to Mr Houston and Examined Richard MacAllester on his Constableship for the year 1763 and found he has paid to the Selectmens order 160-2-3 and to Mr Houston -667-13-0 and the province Rates being 901-9-0 being in the whole 1729-4-3 and there remains due of his Lists 402-5-0

26th I recorded the March meeting Wart & Votes and the Sherriffs Writ and Wart for a meeting on it and the Votes of the meeting

27th I was out of Case and got Sweat

28th Mr Houston was in Derryfield

29th I went as far as Mr Halls to go and see Capt Karr but heard he was not at home and returned home

30th writ him a letter

31st I got Capt Walker to go to Capt Karrs for me and see if he would come to any agreement with me who carried the Letter I writ him yesterday and jonas went to work for Capt Walker for his going for me to Capt Karrs and we began to reap the Barly between and the barn

AUGUST

1st I began to mow at the little meadow

2d My bror Samll went out without my knowledge to borrow money for me to pay Capt Karr he got the promise of 70 or 80 dollars in two months

3d I sent a letter to Capt Karr by my john and I had one pair of james Pattersons oxen and Kidders oxen helping me to draw fenceing Stuff for

a Cow yard fence and I writ a Wart for a town meeting to be held the 16th Instant at 2 of the Clock in the afternoon

5th I got a quart and half a pint of Rum from john Bell and I and jonas mowed in the Burnt lot and Raked up 13 Cocks and john shaked out and helped Rake

5th 6th 7th & 8th Workt at geting hay cheifly at the Little Meadow and finished reaping what Winter Wheat we had there was 7 Stooks of it

9th I had Gan Riddells mare and went to Robt McMurphys and lodged all night there he sent the money and the bags (that I left with his wife on the 18th of July last) with Major Tolford to Haverhill & he bot 4 bushell of Corn for me and got it brot to Capt Littles and Robt MacMurphy sent his son Robt for it and brot it to his house

10th he sent his Son Wm with me to Cannada to help me along with it and I got it ground at Col Goffes and my boys finished Reaping our Barly and got it and the Flax into the barn we had between 3 & 4 stooks of barly and I finished Reaping the Spring Wheat in the Cow yard there was 2 Stooks and 3 Sheaves of it

11th Mr Houston was at New boston

12th We catched 3 salmon I got one that weighed 21 £ which made us Even as McLaughlin & Patterson said and we began to Reap Rie

13 & 14th Robt Giffen helped me to Reap we Reaped above the Barn and some in the south peice and had in these two days 22 Stooks and 11 Sheaves and on the 14th Deacon Smith and his son james and Samuell Patterson on their acct mowed my norwesterly lott in the Squar in the Little meadow & the Deacon came down at Dinner time and told me and I sent john to the Meadow in the afternoon and Shaked it out on the 13th I killed a lamb that weighed £ 24½

14th We Reaped and finished the south peice above the barn We had in both the peices above the barn 25 stooks

16th in the forenoon the boys and I Raked the hay on the lott that Deacon Smith Mowed and in the afternoon I attended on a town meeting called at Mr Houstons Request and we gave Fergus Kennedy an order on john McLaughlin Junr Constable for 40s/ old Tenor being what was Rated on his mare in the year 1762 and was since Voted off

17th I finished Reaping Wheat I have of spring Wheat this year 12 Stooks and 5 Sheaves I reaped 6 Stooks & 2 Sheaves today and I went to the meadow and Cocked up the hay that Deacon Smith mowed

18th it began to Rain in the fore part of the day and Continued untill Next morning it Rained a great Quantity it has been the first Rain this 5 or 6 weeks of any Quantity

19th We Reaped in the field by my Brors

20th I gave James Lyon a Summons for Deacon Smith and Mathw McDuffie and a Notification to james McMurphy the adverse party the Depositions to be taken on the 29th and we Reaped

21st I butchered a lamb that Weighed £ 3¼ and we finished Reaping I had 22 Stooks and 11 Sheaves in the field by my brors

22d William Barnett helped me to Mow at the Little meadow for some hay I let him have last Spring and john Kidder mowed for me also & my

boys brot in the Rie from the field by my brors and I got a Quart and half a pint of Rum from john Bells wife

23d My boys and I Raked 42 Cocks

24th was a Rainy day and I drawed a Compt & Wart for Cornet Graham of Amherst against john Cole of sd town for lying & 4 subpaens came to 7/4 Lawfull money unpaid & jonas began to Thrash Rie

25th Mr Houston was in Goffestown and Capt Karr sent me a letter by james Patterson

26th I sent Capt Karr an Answer by my john and I went to the meadow and Turned the hay on the East Side of the brook and I began to mow in McClary Lott and Col Goffe returned two Writs to be tryd next Thursday at john Bells

27th I Cleaned up near 6 bushell of Rie being the first I Cleaned up of this years Groath jonas thrashed 5 Stooks and what Shelled in pitching in the Barn

29th I begun to thrash at our Peas

30th I cleaned up two bags full

31st I went to Col Goffes along with Capt Leigh of Portsmouth and Acknowledged the deed I gav to john Orr of the lots no 1 and 11 in the 6th Rang and I finished mowing at the Little meadow and he paid me 3 £ old Tenor for takeing the acknowledgement of a deed from my bror Samll to sd Orr & putting it on Record

SEPTEMBER

2d I drawed a Compt & warrant for james Cowen against james Thomas & William Allds Junr there was 7 Subpeneas came to 8/4 proclamation money unpaid and I sent a letter pr Col Goffe to the Governor for my pay for surveying in the year 1750 and I drawed an Advertisement for a proprs meeting of Sowhegan East to be held the 29th of Octr next and I cleaned up better than a bag full of peas and finished Rakeing hay at the Little meadow

3d John & I Stacked the burnt lott there was 32 Cocks of it and poled the Dispute lott Except 10 or 11 Cocks and the lot Deacon Smith mowed all but 10 Cocks and the wind chekt to the Eastward Exceeding quick and came on a Rain

4 & 5th was Cloudy weather and on the 4th I got 4 bushell of Rie ground at Col Goffes mill

6th I cleaned up three bags full of peas

7th I finished cleaning up our peas we guessed that we had 16 or 17 bushell and I cleaned up 26 quarts of flaxseed & john and I went to the Little Meadow and Stacked the hay on the Dispute Lott being 32 Cocks and 29 Cocks on the Lott that Deacon Smith mowed for me and William Patterson of Litchfield came to me on Lieut Jacob Heldreths acct and I gave him a Summons for 5 Witnesses to be taken at Gearfields on Thursday the 12th Instant

9th I Cleaned up 38 quarts of flaxseed and jonas and john & I went to the meadow and Stacked the hay on McCleary lott being 30 Cocks and

28 on the East side of the brook and 20 on the West side of the brook and poled the Remainder being 21 or 22 Cocks

10th the boys finished plowing the peice between the house and barn and john and I went to the little meadow and finished Stacking I had 192 Cocks in the Little meadow this year and Jonas thrashed a Stook of Winter Wheat and my Wife cleaned it up and there was a bushell and a peck of it

11th I writ a Deed from me to David McCleary of the 3d Division no 67 and a Deed from him to me of the Meadow lott no 67 and I got £ 5 of hogs fatt from Thos Boies Wife on Credit and I run lines in the afternoon for Gan Riddell and I brot his mare home with me to go to Mr Gordons shop in Dunstable the next morning before day but when I came home my wife was Very much out of Case she was taken about the middle of the day very suden

12th I cleaned up 2 bushell and a peck of winter Wheat and I had Gan Riddells mare and went to Mr Gearfields and took 4 Depositions for Lieut jacob Heldreth and I lodged there over Night

13th The sun about an hour high I sett out for Mr Gordons and I got there 2 iron pots 4 £ shugar a box of snuff done up in paper ¼ of peper & a ¼ of alspice and a paper of needles and a Quire of paper and I gave him a Dollar and I came to Mr Gearfields & I took one deposition more for Mr Heldreth and I writ the Captions and am to be paid in Corn and I came home about sun set & sent home Gan mare and my boys took our flax to Mr Caldwells yesterday and they spread it there yesterday & today the night before there was a great frost

14th The last night there was a great frost again and I sowed a bushell and 3 pints of Wheat on the pea ground between the house and barn and I took a bushell of winter Wheat to Col Goffes mill and got it ground & I had what was in the shop and I am to Make it up again

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM SEPTEMBER 14 1765

16th I plowed in the forenoon in the Corn land above the Barn and jonas plowed in the afternoon & I cleaned up 2 bushell of Wheat

17th I butchered a lamb that weighed £ 42 & I finished cleaning up my winter Wheat I had about 8 bushell in all this year and I got a Gallon of Molasses from Madam Goffe on Mr Rands Acct on Credit and I got a Gallon of Rum from Samuel Voses Wife 24s/ whereof he owes me for Recording four of his childrens names in the town book and the rest I owe him

18th Margret Gillmoor Margret Boies Nancey Little Susanna McAllester Sarah Currier Margret Wallace Mary & Ann Scobey and Rachel Barron Broke our wool

19th I had john Clogstons mare and I went to London derry and Chester to Settle the order that Capt Karr Gave james Cochran on me for a Hogshead of west India Rum Which came to £ 347-15-0 old Tenor and I lodged at Majr Tolfords

20th jean Tolford gave me a half johanna Equal to 8 Dollars and I came to james Cochrans and I paid him the 8 Dollar peice of Gold that I got

from jean Tolford and I gave him my note for £ 15 proclamation money on Demand with Intrest till paid and I promised to pay the Intrest he paid to Major Tolford and came home in the Evening

21st I sowed a bushell and about 6 quarts of Wheat above the Barn and I lent Lieut Moor half a bushell of Winter wheat to be paid in spring Wheat and I got a bushell of Wheat ground at Col Goffes mill

22d Mr Houston was in Derryfield

23d I got a pair of half soles from Capt Barron and I cleaned up 7½ bushells of Rie and began to sow Rie in the field before the house

24th I finished Soweing the field before the house I sowed 6½ bushell & about 5 Quarts on it and Samll Patterson sowed on a pair of Soles on my pumps I cleaned up 4 bushell and a half and 4 Quarts of Rie and I sowed 10 quarts and half a pint of Wheat in the peice of Ground by the Well makes some more than 2 bushell and a half about a quart and 1 pint of wheat that I sowed this year

25th I set out for Chohass to help to lay out Peirmont and arived at Pennykook and lodged at Mrs Osgoods & I borrowed 1 pound and the weight of 6 spoons of pewter from Deacon Gillmors wife

26th I recd 12 £ old Tenor from Mrs McMillan that Col Goffe left for me and I bot some Pork and other things I wanted for to carrie me over the woods and I arrived at Baker town and Lodged at Calls

27th I arived at Lieut Browns in Plymouth and Lodged there

28th It Rained all the fore part of the day in the afternoon I arived at jotham Cumings the uppermost house in Plymouth and Lodged there

29th was Sabath day and I had a Sore on the Sole of my right foot that I was lame with and lay by

30th I set out and got a little more than 3 miles beyond Baker river Falls in the new road and I Campt and Col Greeley Esqrs Webster & Bartlett and one Page came to me and Campt with me

OCTOBER

1st I arived at Cohass about one or 2 o Clock in the afternoon Lodged at Mr Atkinson in Haverhill

2d I went to surveying in Piermont

21st I finished laying out what was proposed to be laid out

22d we got our things and some provisions to last us home got to Mr Ladds the last house on our way in Coos

23d Set off early in the morning and Arived at Capt Brainards Camp in Rumney

24th we came a Mile on this side Smiths River

25th we arived at Pennykook and lodged at Mrs Osgoods Lieut Martains Expences and mine there were £ 5

26th I came home in the Evening

27th Was Sacrament in Bedford

28th I acknowledged a Deed I gave to Ebenezer Hacket of a peice of Land by joseph Kennedys and I writ a Deed from Mr Houston to Gan Riddell and I took the acknowledgement the Deed I write and a Deed from Riddell to Mr Houston all unpaid and David McCleary and I

Exchanged the Deeds of the 3d Division no 67 and the Meadow lott no 67 and Col Goffe took the Acknowledgement and I sent the Deed McCleary gave me with his son David to send it to the Records

29th I spent the forenoon fitting the lists for makeing the Rates the afternoon I attended on a Proprietors meeting of Souhegan East and in the Evening the Selectmen went to Mathw Littles and we sit up almost all night a makeing at the Rates

30th I spent all the day at it

31st I finished the makeing and Recording them and I sent the lists to the Constables in the Evening we had 3 mugs of flip and a jill of Rum and 7 meals of Victuals at Matthew Littles

NOVEMBER STAMP ACT

1st I butchered a Ewe that weighed £48½ of meat and John Bell brot me two pounds of Tobacca from portsmouth I sent a peistereen with him for it

2d I sent and borrowed john Bells Cart and went to Ensn Daniel Moors mill and I got 1½ bushell and qt of Winter wheat ground being the last I had and 5 bushell 14 qts of Rie ground they ground it all Toal free

5th Was a training in Bedford and I writ an Instrament between the Selectmen of Goffestown and Robert Spear and Charged 20s/ old Tenor and alowed john Orr to Receive it toward the Remainder of a bushell of Rie I had from him last Winter

6th I writ 4 Advertisements for john Bell for the sale of his fathers Estate and his own place in New boston and one the 7th I went to Samll Pattersons and got him to mend my Shoes

8th I went to Goffestown to arbitrate between james McGregore and Timothy Ferrin and Samll Richards they settled the affair themselves all but the Charges and Ferrin and Richards is to pay me £3 old Tenor each

10th Mr Houston preached in Londonderry for Mr McGregore who was in Boston

11th I went to Goffestown and Run the lines Round Blodgets Farm and I got half a pound of Powder and a pound and half of shot and a paper of pins up in part of my pay they come to 18/6 Bay old Tenor and there is 26/6 Bay old Tenor comeing to me yet for my service

12th I spent part of the day a planing of Piermont and about ½ of it I spent along with Wm Blair at Matthew Littles & I borrowed a pound and 3 ounces of tallow from Capt Goffes wife

13th I planed all day at Piermont plan

14th being Thursday was Thanksgiveing Throughout the Province by the Govrs Proclamation

15 & 16th I workt at the Plan of Piermont

18th I finished the plan and Carried to Col Goffe and the acct of my Charges and in the Evening I Vendued the Estate of john Bell decd and john Bells Estate in New boston

19th was a proprs meeting of Sowhegan East by adjournment and we adjourned it further untill the first Monday in Decbr next to ten of the

Clock in the forenoon and Lucy Barron finished makeing a Dublet for me which she began the day before

20th I went along with Capt Allds and Run the lines for him round the home lott no 73 unpaid

21st I had james Pattersons horse and john Bells mare and I and my Wife went to Londonderry to her Mothers and lodged there that night

22d I came home and I got 3 bushells of Salt from jonathan Chamberlin toward my Surveying and Drawing Plans &c for him years agone and I sent the two horses home in the Evening

23d jonas and I cleaned the Remainder of what Rie I had there was what Rie was on 20 Stooks and 6 sheaves I did not measure the Rie but I suppos there will be about 20 bushell of it and I Rectified my Compass

24th Mr Houston was in Derryfield

25th I writ 4 Advertisements of the adjournment of the Proprs meeting of Sowhegan East and I had john Clogstons Oxen and Capt Goffes Cart and I brot a load of Hay from the little meadow

26th I workt at a head for my Surveying Staves and I workt the night before untill past midnight and I writ a Wart for the Constable to warn Jenny Conn out of town and she threw herself on the town for Releiff

27th I finished my Surveying Staves and I went to David Moor and he soled my pumps of his own Leather and thread and set a patch on the side of one of them and Charged 14s/ Silver old Tenor and I paid him six of it and I owe him eight or 2¼ of New Hampr old Tenr

28th I went to Dunstable to Run lines by an order of Court the land lys in Hollis Squire Lovewell appeared for one party and jonathan Blanchard for the other and I tarried over night at Squire Lovewells

29 & 30th I was on the same bussiness but did not finish and I came home on the 30th being Saterday

DECEMBER FIRST

my wife came home Willm Morrow brot her from her mothers as far as Robt McClures and she came home from there on foot

2d I attended a proprietors meeting in sowhegan East and I was chose with Lieut Thomas Barns and my bror Samll to Examin accounts and I was also chose with Col Goffe and Capt Barron to Sell a peice of land lying in Merrymac between Thos Vickerys and james Gillmors and Capt Barron and I sent a Wart to john McLaughlin to warn Agness Dallrymple out of town

3d I went along with Ensn Blair and Showed him my farm in Goffestown the Night following there fell a Snow of a foot deep

4th I went along with the Oxen and Sled to Ensn Moors Mill and brot home the 4 bushell of Meal that jonas took there yesterday on Ensn Blairs Horse

5th I Cleaned at our spring Wheat

6th I could not get it quit Clean but prety near I did not Measure it but I suppose there is eight bushell and I Butchered a little poor lamb I did not weigh it

7th I went to the Meadow and brot home the Remainder of the Stack that I broke on the 25th ult

8th Mr Houston was in New boston

10th I workt at the Slates for a break and Rouns for a Rack for our sheep and I compleated a Deed that I writ yesterday from Matthew Little to John Little and I offset the charge of With John Little for my last springs Expences with him and Patterson at Amoskeig which was 36/ old Tenr and we alowed the one to answer the other and yesterday I writ a Deed from James Vose to John Vickery not paid and I charged it on book (viz) 20s/ old Tenr to Each of them

11th Alexr MacMurphy came for me and I went with him to Thos Halls who is now Regualer in his Sences and I tarried there all night

12th I came home in the fore part of the day and I sent an ax to John Gillmor to get laid that weighed £4 & 2 ounces

14th John Gillmor laid my ax he put in 7 ounces of Steel and when he had done it before it was ground it weighed only one ounce more than it did before he began to lay it he burnt it so much in the fire

16th I got 10 bushell of Rie and a bushell and half of Indian Corn from john Clogston which I am to settle for between him and Lieut Bradford and I took it to Ensn Moors Mill and got it all ground into Meal and got it all home in the Evening

17th I writ 3 letters one to Squire Lovewell and another to jonathan Blanchard concerning surveying for them pr order of Court and another to Mr Cox of Dunstable for a Draught Chain

20th the boys brot a load of hay from the meadow

21st I brot a load myself

22d Mr Houston was absent from Bedford he set out last week for Pelham but Mr Wilkins was in Bedford in his Room

23d 24th & part of the 25 I lay by by reason of a swelling on my left Cheek which broke and run in the Evening of the 25th I attended at a meeting of the township of Dartmouth

26th I set out for Ensn Parkers in Hollis in order to buy some beaf and I lodged at Cousen William Pattens

27th I got to Ensn Parkers and lodged there at night

28th I bought an Ox from Ensn Benjamin Parker for £50 Bay old Tenr and I gave him my note to pay him in three months free of Intrest but if not paid then to draw Intrest from that time till paid and I came home with the Ox

30th I borrowed 35 board nails from Squire Rand

31st Lieut John Moor helped Me to butcher the Ox which Weighed £618 of Beaf and 86 of a hide and 43 of Tallow and I cut it up and my Wife Salted down a barrel of the best of it in the evening and I borrowed a quart bottle full of Rum from my neighbour Samuel Currier

JANUARY FIRST 1766

We salted up the remainder of our beaf and I got a quart and half a jill of Rum from Squire Rand it began to Snow in the fore part of the day moderately very fine but Exceeding Cold and snowed all the night following

2d it Snowed all day and the wind very high it abated snowing a little before night it is nigh a foot deep of this falling

3d I pd Currier the Rum I borrowed the 31st ult

4th I broke out to the Little Meadow and brot home the bottom of the Stack in the Northwest Corner of the Squar

6th I got a £ of Snuff that Thos Boies brot from Boston for me he laid out his own Money for it

7th I borrowed almost 20 fulls of our large Shugar box full of Corn from james Patterson and I lent him 10 full of it of Rie

8th I fetched a load of hay out of the stack on McCleary lott

9th I took 8 bushell of Rie and the Corn I borrowed from jas Patterson and got it ground at Ensn Moors mill

10th I brot 2 load of hay from the Meadow the night following it began to Rain

11th It Rained hard in the morning but abated a While up in the day

13th I brot a load of hay from the Meadow

14th I brot a load of hay and I let Thomas Boies have a bushell of Peas and Deacon Walker and I waited on the Commitee of Dartmouth for Examining accts but could not settle our affairs

15th I butchered our two Hoggs which weighed 300 and we salted them down in the Evening one weighed 160 and the other 140

16 & 17th was Exceeding Cold on the 16th I went to Matthew Littles and I writ a Deed from Capt Karr to john Patee and both paid me

20th I brot two load of hay from the meadow

21st was a Rainey day

22d Lucy Barron came here to work and I got 5 quarts of Molasses and a puding pan from Esquire Rand the molasses was 3-15-0 and the pan was 16s/ old Tenor unpaid

24th brot a jagg of hay from the meadow

25th I shod my sled and put in a New Spear and Rowler and New Slats

28th I went to Ensn Moors mill and I got a bushell and almost a half of Wheat ground and I brot the rest of my load of hay out of the burnt lott

29th I brot two jaggs from the meadow

30th I set out for Dunstable and Hollis and I had Richard MacAllesters horse and lodged at Squire Cumings

31st Run some lines so as to joyn my other work together and I took a Note for 4 Dollars from Eben Farley being the one half of my pay & the half of my Expences and Jona Blanchard Esqr gave me three French Crowns on acct of my note from Farley and I am to have the improvement of it untill I get the money from Farley and I came to Squire Lovewells and planed at my work untill 11 of the Clock at Night and I lodged there and I pd Elnathan Blood 2 Dollars and four and four pence Bay old Tenr for the 2 bushell of Wheat I had from him about 3 years last faull

FEBRUARY FIRST

I finished the plan and went to justice Chases and Attested to it and I got 2 axes from Smith in Dunstable which Squire Lovewell is to pay for

in the half of my pay and he pd 33/7 Bay old Tenor for me at Squire Cumings he paid me 11/6 Bay old Ten^{r} made his three Dollars toward my way and he found me as much as was his half of my Expences and I came home in the Evening

4th I had james Pattersons Oxen and I took 85 sticks of slitwork to my upper place and I got McKinneys oxen to help me from his house up and I got a quart of Rum from john Bell on Credit and Alex^{r} Orr came and Swingled flax for me and Charles Black swingled on his acct

5th Alex^{r} Orr swingled in the forenoon and finished we had about 100 pounds of flax in all this year and Daniel Moor singled shod my Oxen and charged me 50^{s}/ old Tenr and I found the iron

6th I went to my Mother in Laws and took my Oxen and Sled with me

7th I came home and brot two thirds of a barrel of Vinegar that from there and Robt McMurphy filled the barrel up with Cydar and he filled a half barrel that I had with me with Cydar and he gave me a bushell of Indian meal and I brot the Bed and bolster and Sheet and a Quilt and a Rag Coverlid and 2 Chairs that fell to our Divide of my father in Laws personal Estate and my mother in Law gave me four chairs to bring home and my off ox got lame in his off fore foot in comeing home but I cant tell how and my wife sent and got 5 quarts and 3 jills of Molasses from john Bells wife

8th I went and got some Spruce and I cut off a board log and butted it jonas fell it west from the field South of the house

10th I went to Col Goffes and made some additions to Piermont Plan and helped to fram and Draw a Return for the Commitee of the survey of said town I got home about one or two of the Clock in the morning

11th I spent the forenoon in going to Capt Barrons and drawing a State of our affairs relating to Jenny Conn to send to Mr Livermore for advice and james Patterson carried it and David Currier brot me half a Quire of paper on in part of some Writings I did for him on the 3d Instant I did as much as came to a pistereen for him and another pistereen for his father which they promised to pay

12th & 13th we workt at geting wood

14th Col Goffe sent for me on an affair of Doctr Merrills who had given abuse to Divers persons the day before the Col alowed me 4^{s}/ provn money and Sqiure Rand became paymaster and promised to give me Cr for it on book and I did as much writing for Sam^{ll} Currier as came to 2^{s}/ unpaid

15th I hauled 6 load of Wood from up by Kidders

17th I got a pair of Mogoseens that David Moor mended for me he soled and heel tapd them and I found the thread he charged 11^{s}/ Bay old Ten^{r} and I and james Patterson went to Amoskieg Falls and workt between the Pulpit and Sullivans point

19th Hitty Currier came to Spin about noon at our house and we hauled 7 load of wood out of the swamp

21st I went to Capt Barrons and We the Selectmen Mr Houston an order for his Sallery this year being £ 13–1–7 Lawfull agreeable to a Vote of the town

24th I carried 25 Sticks of Slitwork up to my place between here and New boston and in the Evening I went to john Bells to treat with Mr Warren about the makeing the Pulpit and I writ a Deed of old john Bells Estate from Ensn Daniel Moor who bought it at Vendue of john Bell and took the acknowledgement of it and the acknowledgement of a Deed from the adminisr to Moor all unpaid and to be paid by john Bell

25th I gave William Caldwell a Wart againt David Scobey with 16 supeneas came to 11/4 Lawfull

26th I gave Willm Cadlwell a Wart against Willm Wallace with 16 or 17 subpeneas came to 11/4 or 8 pence and Scobey and Caldwell settled their affair and J Caldwell is to pay me I charged 11s/

27th John got 5 quarts of molasses at John Bells and I writ a pair of Indentures of a poor Child named Nancy Sloan to Robt Morrial we the Selectmen met at Matthw Littles and We signed the Indentures and Writ the Wart for the March meeting and gave several orders we broke up some time in the morning our Expences was two mugs of flip and I got 10 board from Capt Goffe that measured 145 feet for which I am to draw in logs to make as many for him free of the sawing and Hitty Currier left off spining at noon and went home

28th I went a Run lines for james Gillmore and I run as much for Ensn Vickery and joseph Farmer as I did for Gillmore what I did for them I allowed to pay some Intrest that I alowed myself to pay joseph Farmer on acct of some Rie I had from him two year last fall and Winter Gillmor is to pay me in grain if he can spare it

MARCH FIRST

was a great Rain

2d Mr Houston was in Derryfield this is the fifteenth sabath day that he has preached in other towns for pay since last March meeting

3d I carried some linen yearn to David McClearys to be Wove

4th I held a Court wherein William Caldwell was Compt and William Wallace was Respt I gave judgement agt the Respt and he appealed

5th I gave Col Goffe a Quitclaim of the home lott no 17 on babussuck for which he is to give me a horse he had from Robert Nesmith for said Lott

6th he sent me the horse by john Kidder

7th I got 5 Quarts of molasses from john Bell

8th I met with the Rest of the selectmen at Mathw Littles and Examined Lieut Moor on his Constableship and I got a calfskin from Capt Barron that he Taned and Curried for me

10th I carried some filling to David McClearys and 2½ bushell of Rie to Ensn Moors Mill and I got 1½ bushell of it ground and I gave Thos Hall a Deed of the Lott no one on the north of Piscataquog River and I took a Deed of the lott no 8 in the 6th Rang from Capt Karr in lieu of it

11th I went to Ensn Thos Millers and got a bottle of Snuff that Peggy Diggedy sent a present to my wife by Ann Kennedy

12th Thomas Boies with his oxen and Sled and john Moor and john McKinney and Each of their oxen helped me to Hall my boards from

McKinneys to my upper place and I had William Barnetts oxen and I took about 335 feet of boards from home with what Willm Barnett took up from Goffs for me makes about 2000 feet of boards that I have now at my upper place

13th my boys and I was at the Haulling of john McLaughlins barn the Cleatt and Plate brook and was obliged to leave it and I could not find the ax I took with me that night

14th was an Extraordinary storm of Wind and Snow

15th the wind Continued Excessive high and the snow Drifted greatly in this day and yesterday we had 4 sheep lambd and by the morning of the 16th two of the lambs died who we suppose was killed by the other sheep by dunting them and I got 5 Quarts of Molasses from john Bells wife

17th It stormed Hail and wet together and froze as it fell but before the middle of the day it Rained and in the after part of the day it Rained a great deal and I went to David McClearys and got the Cloath he was Weaveing for us there was 30 yds and almost three quarter of it he took 6 yds for the Weaveing and I brot home a bushell of meal from Ensn Moors mill that I Carried the grain there the 10th Instant

20th I helped john McLaughlin junr Hall his Barn and got a pair of Shoes for my wife that Sam^{ll} Patterson made the upper leather was mine and I borrowed the sole leather from james Patterson and I bargained away my farm on Piscataquog River to William Blair for 212½ Dollars to be paid in 2 months with good Security

22^{d} I went to Ensn Daniel Moors mill and got two bushell of Rie ground

24th I with the other Selectmen attended on the Town Counters at Math^{w} Littles and gave some orders and tryed to settle with Mr Houston about the arrears he says the town owes him but could not get a State of the arrears all that we could do and he went off and blamed us that we would not Settle with him without and james Little got about 3 hundred of hay

25th james Little got about 2½ hundred of hay and I got a pair of Soles for my own shoes from james Patterson and Sam^{ll} Patterson sowed them on and I got a pair of shoes that Sam^{ll} Patterson made for susanna and I had the sole leather from james Patterson

26th was our March Annual meeting and I was Chosen Clerk and second Selectman and I Qualified the town officers

27th I went to pine hill in Hollis to Plan the same to find a Center for them to build a School house on & before I went I took a bill of Sale of Ensn Blairs personal Estate

28th was on the business

29th finished and came home and Charged 18^{s}/ but did not get my pay and as I Came home I got half a bushell of Peas from john Roby that he owed me and is to be discounted on the note I have of him

30th was Sabathday and the night following we had a ewe lambd and our black Cow Calved

31st I went with David McCleary Junr and run Round his 100 acres above james Littles and john Thomas gave me a bushell of oats and my john brot them home

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MARCH 31st 1766

APRIL FIRST

I began to prune my Apple trees and I gave Mr Houston a Coppy of a Vote from the town book and he paid me 10s/ old Tenor for it and pd me 20s/ old Tenor for Acknowledgeing a Deed from Gan Riddell to him last October

2d I began to sow my Peas and pruned some apple trees

3d sowed some more peas and pruned some more at Apple trees and in the afternoon I went to Esqr Rands to a Proprietors meeting of Dartmouth and was chose one of the assessors and one of the Commitee for to lay out the Land

4th I sowed some more peas and pruned some more apple trees and I got a quart of Rum and a quart of Molasses from john Bell on Credit

5th this day I finished sowing two bushell of peas and I let james Patterson have half a bushell of peas that I got from john Roby on the 29th ult month and I pruned at my apple trees

7th I finished Sowing peas I sowed two bushell and Twenty Eight Quarts in all this year and yesterday I sent Mr Houston a line to inform him how many Sabathdays the town had Voted him away the Ensueing year

9th I writ a letter to Lieut Brown for money and I mortised a Sett of Table legs

10th I turned two set of Table legs

11th I run round Lieut john Littles place in Goffestown for his mowing a Day for me two or three years ago in the Little meadow and I Run round No 1 in the 12th Rang in Bedford for Deacon Gillmor to answer against a bushell of potatoes that I had from him last spring and some butter I had of his wife last faull when I went to Cohass in September

12th I workt at makeing a table frame

14th I finished makeing the table frame for my Cousin Eliz'th Lancey

15th I attended at Deacon Kenndells on the Commissioners on Capt Parkers Estate and Exhibited an acct on Oath of £87:12:0 old Tenr but there was a mistake of £4:8:0 old Tenr that I found afterward I ought to have allowed of more Credit

16th I pruned at my apple trees

17th I carried The ox hide I bot off Ensn Parker which weighed £86 and my own Swan ox hide that weighed £53½ but it is much damaged and my Mare skin which was damaged also to Mr Fiske in Hollis to be Tanned and 13 yards and better than a quarter of alwool Cloth to joseah French in Hollis to be drest and I came home in the Evening

18th I finished pruning our apple trees

19th I went to Lieut Moors and got some peas and some Carrot seed that his son john brot there for us & and we sowed some garden seed

20th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford he went of for Pelham

21st this day I killed five Partridges on their loggs for Druming and we sowed more garden seeds and I got a pound of Snuff from Mathw Little that he brot from Boston for me last week I sent 12s/10d Bay old Tenor with him for it

22d I went to james McNights and I divided the Estate between him and his son David and it is to pay a Dollar that I owed his son john of the price of a Mare I bot of him in the year 1760 and I alow myself to do him some other jobb some time again on the acct of the Dollar and I went to Majr Moors and I settled with him on my Note and for a barrell of Vinigar and the barrel the barrel was £3 and the vinigar was £4 and I had paid him all my note and for the barrell and the Vinigar & Capt Barron had the barrell and half the Vinigar and 19s/ old Tenr over which he could not pay me back and I went to john Quigs and got 7 Duck eggs from them and they would not take anything for them and I went to Lieut Hildreths and I left a bag of Robt McMurphys with him to get some grain for my takeing some Depositions for him last September

24th I sowed about a Quart of Great Peas and a handful or two of Early peas in the Garden and in the evening I writ a Deed for Archibald McMurphy from his Step father and his Mother for him

25th I gave sd Archibald McMurphy the Deed I drawed last night and another I drawed from his Sister Jean to him

26th I went to john Bells for john McLaughlin Junr to Count the money for the Province Rates for him on his Constableship and I paid him an eight pound bill that wanted one Charecter and a twenty four shilling bill of my Province Rates & joe Thomas gave me a bushell of potatoes

27th I heard Mr Daniel Emerson preach in Bedford for Mr Houston from the 25th Verse and 5th Chapter of St Johns Gospell

28th my boys planted the Potatoes that joseph Thomas gave me on last Saterday we had planted all the potatoes that I had of our own before being twenty pail strickt full

29th I sowed 17 Quarts of Barley and I hewed knees for a Cannoe and I got a bushell of Potatoes from Thos Boies

30th I sowed 2 bushell of Flax seed above the Barn and we planted the Potatoes we had yesterday from Thos Boies all but a few

MAY FIRST

I sowed 12 Quarts of Spring Wheat in the Cow yards and I got a bushell of Potatoes from Mathw Little and I got a Stem and Stearn posts for a Cannoe on the 2d my boys planted almost all the potatoes I got the day before

4th Mr Houston was in New boston

5th I Recd 4 Dollars from john McLaughlin Junr as a Constable for my service assisting the Selectmen in the year 1760 agreeable to a Vote of the town

7th john went to Daniel Moors Mill and got two bushell of Wheat and a bushell and a peck of Rie ground being the last of my own Rie

10th I went to Litchfield and got a bushell and a half of Rie from Lieut Heldreth on acct of my takeing some Depositions for him last Septr and they ground it Toal free and I got half a bushell of Rie from him more than I am to pay for I would have paid for it then but could not make Change and I got ten duck Eggs from Mrs Gibson and I could not pay my ferriage to Lieut Read for want of change

12th I went a fishing in the morning to Seborns ponds and I catched 13 Pickerell and I went to Goffes town and I got from old Mr Blodget one pound of Powder a 18/ and a paper of pins a 5s/ and a pound and a half of shot a 4/6 paid me up the remainder of what was due to me for Runing lines for his Cousin Samll last faull and a Shilling over and I paid him two Coppers back toward the shilling the above prices are in Mass old Tenr.

13th I writ a letter to Lieut Brown and another to abel Webster of Plymouth for money and I carried them to Esqr Rands and I got boards from Samll Moor to make a Cannoe with and I went a fishing to Sebans Pond and I catched 13 pickerell and when I came home in the Evening Capt Lovewell had been at my house and left a Summons for me to answer to Ensn Benjn Parker at june Court for an Ox I bot of him the 28th of last Febr

14th our Heifer Calved a Cow Calf and Sarah Currier came to our house to spin & we washed our sheep

15th We found the Heifer and her Calf

16th Sarah Currier went home in the morning

17th I went to Capt Karr at his house about the money I owe him and Sarah Currier came to Spin at our house she has been here 3 days this week

19th I catched 17 pickerel and I sent john to Old Mr Vickerys and to james Gillmor and he got half a bushell of Rie from jas Gillmor In part of what he owes me for Running lines for him last Winter and he owes me half a bushell of Rie yet and he got better than half a bushell of Indian Corn from Mr Vickery for my Writing a deed and Acknowledging it for him some time ago the deed was from him to his daughters Phebe and Hannah of a 100 acres in Bedford

20th Susannah brot home 13 yds of tow Cloth that Capt Barrons wife wove for us

21st was the Provincial Fast

25th Mr Houston was in New boston

26th I finished makeing a Chest of Drawers & Table for Cousen Wm Pattens Daughter Elizabeth and a Desk for myself

27th I went to Hollis and Settled with Ensn Benjn Parker on his Sueing me to june Court and I Recd almost £ 10 old Tenr from john Robys wife on acct of his note

28th 29th 30th & 31st I fished at Amoskieg and I got about 550 shad home and a Small Salmon home and I changed 120 for two bushell of Salt 20 I sold 27 I gave away and 11 I had Stole

JUNE 2d

john Frain was found in the Edy below Pattersons brook and I was notified as a Selectman to go see him buried and Ensn Daniel Moor and I got 5 yards of Linen and a Gallon of Rum from Mathw Little to burrie him with and in the morning I went to john Bells to meet with William Caldwell and William Wallace who had agreed on Terms of accommodation and this morning they wholy Settled and past Receipts Wallace is to pay all Lawfull cost and Caldwell bore his own and his Attorys The Con-

stable forgave his fees and I forgave mine and Wallace gave me a Dollar

3d 4th 5th & 6th I fished at Amoskieg I sent home these 4 days 232 shad of them jonas got 69 at the new Setting place in this time I sold 80 the Capt Walker and my bror a 2s/ each 8 I gave Capt Blair 28 I gave for 9½ £ of Butter and 24 I gave for 3 peaks of Salt and 10 I let Richard McAlester have

8th was Mr Houstons Sacrament

10th I borrowed a bushell of Indian Corn from young john McLaughlin and got it ground and I went to New Setting place and I catched 5 Shad

11th David Moor soled my shoes and charged a quarter of a Dollar and I swore john jacobs about his paying Fergus Kennedy some money and Hugh Campbell came to make me a pair of Lether britches

12th I went to Amoskieg and I got 5 Shad and a Bass and I changed the bass with Samuel Richards and I got a Salmon from him of 11½ £ weight for the bass and 7 Shad he owed me and Hugh Campbell finished makeing my britches and I did not pay him

13th I set out for Pennykook and I got a Salmon at the setting place of 11 £ weight Elez Wells catched it and the partners gave it to me, viz Samll Richards and Wells and Ensn McCallow and I lodged at Mrs Osgoods and she had the fish of me and it paid my Entertainment

14th I bot 16 bushell of Indian Corn from Thos Stickney at half a dollar pr bushell and I paid him the money all in silver and I brot away 3 bushell of it and got it ground at Badgers mill and came home in the Evening

16th I went to Mr Russes and Run the line between him and Lieut McNeill on the North side of Russes land

18th I fished at Amoskieg falls and I catched a Salmon and I got a quart of Rum from Mr Russ and I gave and I gave it into the Company who was john Martain and jamey Karr and I got a Small Salmon for it

19th I had Richard McAllesters horse and I went to Pennykook in company with Mary Riddell and carried the two Salmon I got the day before and let Mr Osgood have them they weighed 21 £ it was great Rain in the afternoon and we were Very wet

20th I brot 8 bushell of the Corn I bot of Thos Stickey and left it at Badgers Mill and went back and brot 4 bushell more and got 2 of it ground at Badgers and I had the Toal and I gave him the 8th of a dollar and I paid Marys Expences and mine to Mrs Osgood which was 4 : 19 : 0 I had 5/ O T pr £ for the Salmon it Rained a good deal this afternoon and we came to john McCurdys and lodged there

21st we came home and it Rained two Showers on us this day a coming home and jonas Workt for old Mr john McLaughlin

22d Mr Houston was absent from Bedford he and his Wife went off for Pelham last Tuesday and I found a book in my book Case but does not know from whence it came Entitled some New Discoveries of the uncertainty Deficiency and Corruption of Human Knowledge & Learning by john Edwards D D 2d Edition and I Mised a book of mine writ by jonathan Edwards Entitled a Strick and Careful Enquiry into that freedom of Will which is Necessary to Moral Agency &c

23d I paid john McLaughlin junr the bushell of Corn I borrowed of him the 10th Instant and I paid james Patterson almost a bushell of Corn that I borrowed from him last Winter when I got it I borrowed two bushell and I let him have half a bushell of Peas towards it this last spring and I borrowed £ 3 old Tenor from Mathw Little and jonas Helped old john McLaughlin almost all day

24th & 25th I workt some at makeing a Plough

26th I fished at Amoskieg falls and I catched 12 Salmon and 13 Shad I brot the shad to Mathw Littles and let him have them

27th I had Gan Riddells mare and my own Colt and went to Pennykook and I carried 9 Salmon with me and I sold 3 to Mr Badger the Miller they weighed 41¾ £ and one to Deacon Hall of 10 £ and 4 to Mrs Osgood and her Daughter McMillan that weighed 41½ and one to Thos Stickneys wife that Weighed 9¾ all at 3d Lawfull pr £

28th day I got a bushell of Corn from Mr Stickney and I paid him over the Salmon his wife had ½ a peistereen and I got a bushell of Corn from Deacon Hall and I paid him in 10/s old Tenor more than his Salmon and from Mrs Osgood I had my Expenses which was 2 : 6 : 0 old Tenr and She paid me a peistereen and she owes me a quarter of a Dollar yet and I got a quire of paper from Mrs McMillan at 20/ O T and She owes me 4 £ O T yet and I brot the 2 bushell of Corn to Badgers mill and got it Ground and I had the Toal he has ground 13 bushell for me in all that I have had the toal of and I came home and jonas catched 3 Salmon at the falls and I catched one after I come and my Wife went to Derry & Chester and carried with her 5½ Salmon or better than a half she had john McLaughlins horse and on the day I went to Pennykook john Catched 9 Salmon and I catched one we have catched 26 Salmon in all these 3 days they weighed about 270 £

29th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

30th I fished at the falls in company with Samll Richards We catched 8 Salmon and 9 Shad We gave Col Goffe one for which he gave us a bottle of Rum our Salmon weighed about 12 £ apeice

JULY FIRST

I let Gan Riddell have my Salmon it weighed 12½ £ I sent it to his house by my john and jonas helped old Mr McLaughlin from about 10 of the Clock till night and I finished makeing a plough

2d jonas and john helped john McLaughlin junr the greatest part of the day to Hoe & I went to Pope Thos Karrs and Run Round a peice of land that he Cleared for Mr Blodgett

3d jonas and john helped john MacLaughlin junr in the forenoon and in the afternoon was a training and I went to Amoskieg falls and brot Samll Rodgers Cannoe down to Patterson brook mouth in order to fish with

4th was a Rainey day throughout

5th I went to the falls and catched a Salmon that weighed 10½ £ and Gan Riddell sent me 2 £ and 14 ounces of Butter toward the Salmon I let him have the first Instant

6th I heard Mr True preach in Bedford for Mr Houston from Proverbs 23d Chap & 23d verse

7th I got a Scyth from Mathw Little on Credit and I gave james Mathies a Wart against jonathan Cumings unpaid and I began to fellow the old field by my brors and I had john McLaughlins oxen helping me

8th I had john Kidders oxen helping me to plow and I writ 3 letters for Squire Rand to dun for money and Signed him 3 Writs and Summons

9th I had john Kidders oxen helping me to plow and I had Mathw Littles horse and john Clogstons mare and I went to Pennykook and I brot home the 5 bushell of Indian meal I had at Mr Badgers and I got what he called a bushell and a peck of Rie from him for which I pd him 5 £ but I think there is about a bushell of it

10th I had john McLaughlins Oxen helping me to plow it was very hot day so that we plowed but about half a days work

11th I had john Kidders oxen helping me to plow it was a very hot day and we could not plow but about half the day and Capt Barron came to my house and we drawed 3 Warts to the surveyors of highways

12th I pd Mathw Little 20/ O : T : and 4s/ for a jill of Rum I had on the 9th Instant and 40s/ for a Salmon he had on the 28th of june and the 3 £ I Borrowed from him on the 23d of last june and I had john Kidders Oxen helping me plow in the forenoon and we finished plowing the field by my brors

14th I got half a bushell of Salt from Ensn Daniel Moor on Credit and I gave Samll Gibson of Merrymac a Wart to search Phinehas Lunds house for Stolen Goods unpaid and I let Widow Bell have Rake and Sarah Currier pulled flax for us and the boys hoed the Potatoes

15th I got 2 Quarts of Rum from john Bell on Credit and I got 3 sythes and a pound of powder from old Mr Blodget on Thos Karrs acct for my measuring 21 Acres of land for him that he Cleared on Mr Samll Blodgets farm on the 2d Instant and Daniel Moor Laid a peice on the point of my plow shear the Iron was mine and john Kidder is to pay for it and Sarah Currier pulled flax for us

16th Sarah Currier helped us to pull flax and we finished we put 24 stook into water and we have 60 stook more and I began to mow

17th I had john Maclaughlins oxen helping me to plow and I gave David MacClure a warrant against Samuel Richards and I went a fishing in the Evening and we Catched a Salmon that weighed £ 16 and I had the whole of it

18th I mowed the forenoon and in the afternoon I writ a Deed from john Little to john Mudget of the Right of land in Gilmantown and mudget paid and Little did not and McClure and Richards Settled their Case and and Richards is to pay me and I recd 12s/8d Lawfull from from john McLaughlin Junr of the towns money to buy Nails Brads & Glue for the pulpit and got two quarts of rum from john Bells wife on Credit

19th I went to William Henerys and got 2 £ of tobacca and I paid a pistereen for it

20th I went to Goffestown meeting at john Smiths and heard Mr john Wilson of Chester preach in the forenoon from the 2d of Acts & 33d verse and in the afternoon the 17th of johns Gospel and 4th verse

21st I mowed in my meadow at home

22d I went to Thos Halls and drawed 3 writs for him viz one against joseph Pudnay one against jonathan Atwood and 1 agt john Ordway the charge for each is 4–4–0 old Tenr unpd and I charged Hall on book for them in Lawful money

24th I finished mowing in My Meadow at home Except from the Crotch of the brook upward which I left for jonathan Currier and john Kidder and I took two Notes from Lieut Brown by assignment on Samll Derben of 15–13–6 Each and a note from himself of 4–4–9 all Lawfull money and I got a bushell and a half of Salt from Ensn Daniel Moor on Credit

25th I began to Reap and I Reaped 2 Stooks and 4 Sheaves of Winter Wheat and I got in the last of my hay that I had at home I had 102 Cocks in my Meadow as far up as to the Crotch and I put it all in one Stack by the barn & I got 2 quarts of Rum from Mat Little

26th It Rained in the forenoon sometime and in the afternoon I went to Capt Karrs to let him know that Lieut Brown brot me no money and to know whether I must Sue for the money & Nathaniel patterson brot a Salmon it weighed 10¾

27th Mr Houston was in Hillsbourgh and our Heifer took Bull

28th my little boys and Betsey & I Reaped 5 Stooks and 7 Sheaves of Wheat betwixt and the Barn

29th my little boys and I Reaped 5 Stooks and 3 Sheaves between between and the barn and Sarah Currier came about 10 of the Clock to Spin at our house

30th I got two pigs from john McLaughlin Junr and Daniel Moor made a tongue for my Sheep bell fixt the Heel of my Scyth wore out and would not charge anything for it and Sarah Currier spun at our house

31st I finished Reaping the peice between and the barn I had 14 Stooks and four Sheaves in it and two sheaves behind the house and 4 stooks and 10 sheaves in that peice by the well and we Reaped 5 Stooks in the wheat above the barn and Sarah Currier spun at our house

AUGUST

First I finished Reaping Winter Wheat I have 18 Stooks & 3 Sheaves above the barn I have 37 Stooks and 7 Sheaves of Winter Wheat in all this year and my Wife had john McLaughlin junrs horse and went to Willm Morrows and Sarah Currier went home at noon from spining she had been here about 3 days this time and Lieut John Taylor came to Engage me to go in the last of this month to lay out Cockermouth

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM AUGUST FIRST 1766

2d We Reaped 2 Stooks of Rie being the first and we opened our stack of hay and found it had got hot and dried 18 Cocks of it which was sweated Near good for Nought and jonas thrashed 10 Sheaves of Wheat and I sent near or quite a bushell of Wheat to Wm Morrow but it was not dried and Margret Tolford came to our house and I got 2 Quarts of Rum from Gan Riddell on Credit

3d our Belled Cow took Bull

4th we catched a Salmon that we divided in 3 parts Equaly as near as we could my part weighed 3¼ £ and we Carted in our Wheat and I killed a Lamb that weighed as I guessed about 26 £ it weighed after the neck was cut off 23¼ £ and we had to Cart out our Stack of hay into the wheat ground and Spread it & dry it

5th I let john McLaughlin Senr have a Rake and we Reaped our Spring Wheat we had 4 Stooks & a Sheaf of it and I Cleaned up two bushell and almost a half of Winter jonas thrashed two Stooks and there was what sheled in the pitching and some that was left when we thrashed ten sheaves on Saterday last and we finished drying our stack of hay and Reaped a stook and a half of Rie

6th jonas and john Stacked the Hay again & james & Bob & I reaped 3 Stooks of Rie

7th We Reaped part of the day tooped up the Stack

8th We Carted in 12 Stooks and 7 sheaves of Rie and our Spring Wheat and we Reaped 9 Stooks and a half I got 2 qts of Rum from john Bell

9th We Carted in the Rie we Reaped yesterday and took up part of the flax that we water Roted it Rained Considerable to day and in the afternoon we Recd accts pr Mr Houston and john McDuffie that William Morrows wife was Dangerously Ill

Sabathday morning my wife and Peggy Tolford went over to see her my Wife had jonathan Curriers mare

11th being monday my Wife and Peggy Tolford came home before noon and we Reaped 10½ Stooks and a half of Rie

12th We Carted in the Rie we Reaped yesterday and it Rained a pretty Shower in the morning with a Considerable of Thunder & we Reaped 9 Stooks and 1 sheaf

13th We Carted in the Rie we Reaped yesterday and we Reaped four stooks and seven sheaves which finished our Rie We have Forty Six Stooks and three sheaves of Rie this year in all and I let john Clogston have a Rake which he promised to pay for and I got two qts of Rum from Mathw Little on Credit and our Black Cow took Bull

14th I began to Mow in the Little meadow and jonas and I mowed the Dispute lott and began in the burnt lott

15th I butchered a lamb that weighed 20¼ £ after the neck was cut off & jonas and I mowed the Rest of the day in the burnt lott

16th We finished mowing the burnt lott and we Raked and Cocked the Dispute there was 21 Cocks on it and we Raked half the burnt lott

17th Mr Houston was in New boston

18th jonathan Currier and john Kidder mowed for me in the square in the Little meadow and jonas and I mowed there also and I got a qt of Rum from john Bell on Credit and the night following it came on a Rain

19th the fore part of the day was Very Rainy and in the afternoon I went at joseph Scobeys and Robert Morrials Reqt to john Bells to help them to settle their accts which was effected & Mr Houston changed a bad 24 / bill and gave me a piestereen in lieu.

20th I attested to an acct Against Col Goffe and Esqr Emerson on the Laying out Piermont and Acknowledged a power before Esqr Rand and

sent the acct & power to Mr Livermore by my john to be Sued and I Recd the Treasurers Wart for Province Rates for the year Current and I got a qt of Rum from john Bell on Credit and I went to the meadow and mowed a little in the Evening and jonas and the two little boys turned what hay was Shaked out of what we mowed on Monday last

21st james Caldwell Junr helped me to Rake hay the greatest part of the afternoon we got all the hay we mowed on Monday in Winrow and 8 Cocks of it put up and Susanna came up and helped in the afternoon

22d We Cocked up the hay we Raked yesterday and Mowed a Small Winrow and Raked 17 Cocks more and Cocked it

23d We Stacked the hay on the burnt lott and the Dispute lott and a Stack by the bridge of 21 Cocks and Mowed a Small Winrow and my Wife had john McLaughlins horse and went to William McDoells and Thos Millers and she got 8 £ of Pork from Thos Boies on Credit except one pistereen

24th we mised one of our old Sheep and could not find her

25th I got a qt of Rum from john Bell on Credit and We finished mowing in the Little meadow and we put up 20 Cocks into a Stack on the East side of the bridge and we Raked 8 Cocks and Robt Giffins Wife got 10 Cocks of hay from me for which she is to pay in butter I asked her 2 £ for a Cock

26th was an Exceeding hot day and there was a great deal of Thunder and considerable of Rain in the afternoon and Evening

27th the fore part of the day was Exceeding hot yet not quite Clear I went and turned the hay that I sent the boys to take care of yesterday but they did not and I carried a little more than a bushell of Rie to Ensn Moors mill but could not get it ground for want of Water

28th it was Cloudy and Rained in the afternoon & the Night following a Considerable Quantity and I made two Rims for Riddells and fitted two more all Ready for nailing and made a Rim for a fine Sive

29th I went to Matthew Littles in order to arbitrate with Majr Noice and Esqr Underwood between Esqr Walker and john Martain Majr Noice did not come and Mr Fulton of Londonderry came with a power of Attorney and would not Comply to do anything about the affair untill farther consideration

30th the foul weather appeared to be over it was a Clear day and we dryd our hay as much as we could but could not get it into Cock and was obliged to lave about 20 Cocks that had been cocked open that the hay was not dryd so as to cock up again

31st Mr Houston was in New boston

SEPTEMBER FIRST

We put up a Stack of 20 Cocks in the Little meadow and it began to Rain by 8 or 9 of the Clock notwithstanding there was a great Dew and in the evening there was a Remarkable Thunder Shower aboundance of Lightening Thunder and Rain and Cleared up before we went to bed

2d I got 12s/ O: T: worth of Snuff from Esqr Rand for which I pd him the money

3d I gave Samll Richards a Writ and Summons against Ebenezer Hacket and a Summons for 9 Witnesses the Charge is 6s/ Lawfull unpd and we got up our hay into Cock that has lyn so long I had about 170 Cocks in the meadow in all this year and I let mr Caldwell have plan of a house

4th we Stacked 53 or 54 Cocks that grew on the two westerly lotts in the Squar which finished my haying

5th Agnas Giffin brot us £ 5½ of butter toward the hay she had from me the 25th of Augt last and I went and to john Bells and him and john Wallace and James a Committee Gave Thos Warren our Note for £ 15-6-8 Lawfull money for his building The Pulpit in our Meeting house in Bedford

6th I finished makeing a Riddle & I gave Ebenezer Hacket a Summons for 15 Witnesses to be improved in his Case and Richards unpd and I carried to Mrs Marston in Derryfield some Worsted to be wove we Expect about 15 or 16 yards of it

7th Mr Wilkins preached in Bedford for Mr Houston

8th I got a Gallon of Molasses from john Bell on Cr and I went to the Cedar Swamp above Blodgets and got some Cedar for pails

9th I fitted Staves for 3 pails

10th I bottomed a wide Riddell and got some Wallnutt on Francis Barnets land for some small Truss hoops

11th I held a Court between Samll Richards and Ebenezer Hackett the Writ was non suited and I got a pair of Pumps that David moor made for me he found the Sole leather and thread and made them and Daniel moor made a New Shoe for my Colt and Set it and one of mine on my Colts fore feet

13th I went to London : derry and got a linen Wheel for my Mother in Law and I got a bottle of Snuff from Docr Thornton on Credit the bottle and Snuff weighed £ 1¼ the bottle weighed 13 ounces

14th Mr Houston was at Pembroke assisting Mr Mitchel at his Sacrament

15th I went to Merrymac and Run the line on the north side of Mathies land for him and in the afternoon I went and Run Round his son james place for which his father promised to pay the whole days wages (for which I charged a Dollar) in Corn and Ann Wallace and Margret Wallace came to us to Spin Wool

16th and 17th in the forenoon I workt at makeing a pail and in the afternoon I went to Matthew Littles to hear Esqr Walker & john Martains Case arbitrated by Capt Barron William White and Deacon Boies who was Chairman the affair was Compleated about 3 of the Clock next morning Walker was adjudged to pay Martain 54 Dollars and the Costs of the arbitrators and Witnesses and their charges in the house

18th Sarah Currier got 5 pound and 2 ounces of pot mettle to make her a flatiron of and I cleaned our flax seed we had 2 bushell and a peck and our boys took part of our flax to the Little meadow and began to spread it

19th they took up the Remainder to the Meadow and spread at it

20th they finished Spreading the flax and I made 2 pails this week and almost finished the 3d and this Day I Recd a letter from Wm Peirce of

Chelmsford by my bror in which was a note against Lieut john Hall with a Desire to get the money

22d I took part of the Invoice in all the middle being 9 famelys and one Single poll

23d I took the Invoice of my part on the River Rang Except Capt Goffe and Agnas Giffen brot us 14 £ of Butter and what she brot on the 5th Instant pays for the 10 Cocks of hay she had from me the 25th of last Augt and I gave Capt Lovewell my note for 10s–4d for the service of a Writ that he served on me last may for Ensn Benjamin Parker and I cleaned up 4 bushell of Rie

24th I Cleaned up 2 bushell of Rie and I sowed a bushell and near three pecks of Rie on the South field

25th It began to Rain awhile before night

26th it continued to Rain all day and I workt at Makeing Pails

27th I finished the 5th Pail sinc I began to make and Margret and Ann Wallace went home from Spining for us Ann has been here a fortnight and Margret eleven days

29th I Cleaned up 2½ bushell of Rie and I took the Invoice of the North-west Corner of the town and I got 2 £ of Hogs fatt from Thos Boies on Credit

30th Ann Wallace came in the morning to Spin at our house and I sowed two bushell and about three pecks of Rie in the field by my brors and I Cleaned 12 bushell of Rie

OCTOBER FIRST

I sowed a bushell and about twenty Quarts of Rie in the field by my brors Which finished it I have sowed about 4 bushell and about 12 quarts on it

2d This morning was a great frost and is the first we have had this year and I cleaned up 8 and a half bushell of Rie

3d I Cleaned up our Peas we had about 7 bushell they had grown much in the field and is very bugey and the boys and I Cleaned up the last of our Rie being 15 bushell this day and Ann Wallace went home in the Evening she has been here four days this week and james & Robt went to Ensn Moors mill and got 2½ bushell of Rie ground

4th I plowed some above Barn and part of the peice by the Well and I went to john Bells a little before night and see him Flux of Potash

5th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford he sett out for the westward as he gave out on the Sabath before

6th was a Very Rainy day untill a little before night

7th I Cleaned up 2 bushell of Wheat and I held a Court in the afternoon at Mathw Littles wherein Col Goffe was Plant and jesse McFarland and james Aiken of Chester were Defts neither of them appeared and they were Defaulted

8th I borrowed 50 Board nails from Wm Barnett

9th My boys (viz) jonas and john went with my oxen and picked and Carted up Wm Barnetts Pumpins being six load and he gave me one load

for their work and I got a Gallon of Mollasses and 2½ Hundred of Nails from john Bell on Credit

10th I finished makeing a Meal Chest

11th I gave David Moor an Order on Wm Bell for 1756 feet of Boards and we Cleaned up 16 bushell of Wheat and I Recd four the quantity of Dollars in hard money from Daniel Hall on his fathers acct for Wm Peirce of Chelmsford

13th I went to the Cedar swam norwest from the Ell falls on Piscataquog and got some Cedar for pails and and the boys took up part of our flax at the little meadow

14th our boys finished takeing up the flax and the borrowed Mr Caldwells Cart and brot it home

15th I workt at Amoskieg between the Pulpit and Sullivans point in Company with james Patterson and Ebenr Hacket our expences was a mug and half of flip and one ferriag of one man on foot

16th I plowed

17th I sowed a bushell and almost two quarts of Wheat by the Well and between the house and barn and I went to Blodgets farm in Goffestown and Measured a peice of land that Tweed Cleared and I got two papers of pins and 3 pound of Shot from Mr Blodget toward my Service

18th jonas workt for Daniel Moor blacksmith and the boys and I Raised about 12 bushell of potatoes

19th was Mr Houstons Sacrament in Bedford and Mr MacGregore assisted him

20th jonas workt for Daniel Moor blacksmith and I went to Thos Halls with Saml Richards on acct of Timothy Ferrin Deed which gave him up last Saterday and sent for Ferrin but could not persuad him to give it back again the Deed was from Ensn McGregore to Ferrin and was lodged with me on a Condition between sd Ferrin and Richards

21st I worked in the forenoon a finding the Center of Goffestown by the plan and in the afternoon I attended a proprietors meeting of Goffestown at Capt Karrs

22d I went to Mr Marstons and got 16 yards of Cloath she filled a yard and half quarter with her own filling and she keept it and she allowed 29/3 old Tenor for the warp of it and 7s/ she owed me since she wove a web for us Near two years ago & I paid her 52/s old Tenor more which paid the weaveing of the 16 yards at 5/6 pr yd When I took it to her the 6th of Sept the Warp and filling and Spools and a pillow Case weighed 8 pound and nine ounces and I carried 5 1/2 Cutt more of filling which she put in which filled a yard and when I weighed the Cloath and the same Spool and pillow Case they weighed half a pound less than they did when carried it to her there was as much yarn in the 16 yards as I took there at first except the thrum and the warp of 1/2 a quarter and yet it weighed half a pound less and I settled with Mr Russ on the note I had on him from Abel Webster and he pd me a peistereen and I gave him up the note

23d We Raised 24 bushell of Potatoes which we put into a hole in the Ground to be buried

24th was a Cold storm of Rain out of the N: E:

25th we Raised about 14½ bushell of potatoes which finished what was before the barn that peice produced about 78½ bushell this year beside small ones and we picked the high apple tree there was about 11 bushell of them

27th We Raised about 2½ bushell of potatoes which finished and we cleaned 16½ bushell up the last of our Winter Wheat we had 38 bushell of Winter wheat this year and 3 of spring wheat

28th I went to Hollis and and carried with me 10½ yards of Cloath of our own and 6 yards of Mary Kidder to be pressed and the peice of Cloath that I took there last spring was dressed off there was 9½ yards for which he charged 2/s Bay old Tenor pr yd and 6 pence pr yd for pressing the whole Dressing the 9½ yds and pressing the 16½ came to 27/3 Bay old Tenr and I paid him the money and brot home the 9½ yards and left the 16½ yds there

30th I went along with Messrs john Lowder and his son john and showed them No 25 in the 11th Rand and No 13 in the 8th Rang for which they gave me ½ a dollar and I with the other two selectmen spent the Evening at john Bells with Mr Houston and john McLaughlin junr on his Constableship and found he had Recd of his last years Sallery £ 29 : 2 : 1 Lawfull money but gave him a Rect for only £ 28 : 10 : 0½ lawfull

Which day was appointed for the General Thanksgiveing in the Province but we got no Proclamation in this town

31st Lieut john Moor butchered a Steer for me that weighed 324 of beaf and 56 of a hide the Tallow we did not weigh but he had but a little and I got a quart of Rum from john Bell on Credit and in the afternoon I with the other Selectmen met at john Bells with Mr Houston in order to settle with him to know the arrears he says the town is indebted to him but he would produce no writen acct He produced his day book for the year 1757 and we proved that his Minuts in that time had two material falshoods in it one was that the sum due from the town to him at the settlement on the 11th of April 1757 was two hundred and twenty one or two pounds some od shillings old Tenor and the Settlement which he and the Commitees signed sd day as allso the selectmens order to him the said day was for 259 £ some od shillings old Tenr which we produced the other was that the payment made by the Treasurer on the 3dof May said year toward the sum found due to him on the said Settlement by his minuts was only about 161 £ old Tenr and we produced his own Rect for 200 £ old Tenr said day which gave us Reason to to suspest the truth of the Rest of his minuts and as he would not produce a Writen acct which he said he could not tell how many Sabaths he was in Bedford we declined any other way and broke up without Settleing and I Recd an order from the Selectmen for 1 : 19 : 2½ for my service for the year 1765

NOVEMBER FIRST

I drawed a Wart for a town meeting to be held the 14th Instant but I dated it yesterday

2d being sabathday my wife was much out of Case and I got a quart of Rum from john Bell on Credit

3d I held a Court at Mathw Littles wherein john Rand Esqr was Plant and Hugh McAllow was Deft the Deft was defaulted by not appearing The debt was 0 : 7 : 6 and the Cost was 0 : 13 : 3 Lawfull money and before I held the Court I worked at makeing a back door and the boys workt at takeing up Turnips

4th I finished makeing and hanging the back Door and in the afternoon I went to Thos Halls Vendue and I tarried over night & assisted in takeing the Notes for what was sold and I spent the next day there on his affairs I got home about ten oClock at night and I let Daniel Moor have 6/ shillings Silver old Tenor

6th I got a hook and Steeple from Daniel Moor the Iron was mine and was Drawed by Capt Karr

7th and 8th I put the sashes into 10 windows for Deacon Gillmor in his new house and on the 8th Daniel Moor made me a Round Shave of a peice of an old Syth of mine he bended it and Drawed the tang for the handle

10th Set out for Mr Livermors to sue Samll Derbens notes and Col Goffe and Esqr Emerson for my services in laying out Piermont last faull and had the writs filled out accordingly and I paid William Barnett fifty nails which I borrowed from him the 8th of last Octr

11th I near finished makeing a Churn

12th I was in Goffestown along with Capts Walker and Goffe alaying out the 25 acres that was Reserved in the 140 acre lott No 60 for Mr Simons and Dinned at Capt Martains

13th I made a binn in the outside Cellar and packed our Winter apples being 9 bushell

14th was a town meeting which I attended & we obtained a Discharged from Mr Houston from his first settlement to the 25th of March 1761 after a great fateague with him and the town Voted to Rais 3 £ to supply the sixty pounds Note of tax money that was to be given up to him and I gave him a Rect on the Note which is to given up on the Delivery of the Note

15th I Exchanged the above Note with Mr Houston for the Rect I gave him yesterday and I spent half the day about the Notes for the tax money

16th Mr Houston was in New boston

17th I held a Court between jos George and Ebenr johnson Esqr Rand appeared for George they settled it by arbitration of Capt Barron my bror Samll and Ebenr Hacket we fateagued till almost Day break before we broke up

18th I went to Capt Karrs and attend a propr meeting of Goffestown and in the Evening Timothy Ferrin gave back the Deed he had from Ensn McGregore into my hands and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from Capt Martain to Henry Snow unpaid and the deed was lodgéd with me untill it be paid and my boys carried about 12 bushell of Ashes to john Bell

19th jonas took 13½ bushell of Ashes to john Bell and I finished makeing Gleaks to Churn with

20th I went to Deacon Wm Moors and Run the East and South lines of the lott he had from jas Gregg and the line between him and his bror

Daniel and I got a treik and spindle and whorle from him and we offset my Running them lines for them and in the Evening I went to Daniel Moors to a Training and Capt Allds paid me two pistereens for my Running the line of his home lot by the mast Roading place

22d I gave john Bell a johanna and 7 Dollars of tax money to pay the joyners toward building the Pulpit and I borrowed 3 ounces of Glue that was left from the Pulpit

24th I with the other two Selectmen met at john Bells and began to make the Rates and tarried at there all night & I borrowed 6 sheets of paper from john Bell

25th we finished about the middle of the day and Patrick Taggart brot me a letter from the Commissioners to Capt Parkers Estate and Tony came with him to get me to go to Lay off widow Parkers thirds and I went to Litchfield and Lodged at Lieut john Parkers

26th I Run a line for Widow Caldwell for which I charged a Dollar unpaid she promised to pay me and last night I had the Stirup and Stirup leather that was on my Saddle stole at Deacon Kennedys as my horse stood by the horse house

28th I went at Timothy Ferrins desire to Col Goffes to give Evidence in his case with Richards but he did not come I waited untill dark and I got two Coppers worth of snuff from Esq Rand and I pd him the money

29th I went to Londonderry to Esqr Hollands to give evidence for Samll Richards by a Summons agt Timothy Ferrin he did not come nor Ferrin neither Capt Karr told me there that they had left their case to arbitration and then I went to Mr Livermores and he paid me 14-10-6 Lawfull money on the acct of Samll Derben out of which I pd him 9/6 Lawfull for a Writ that Ensn Parker sued me with to last june Court so that the money recd to bring home was 14-1-0 Lawfull and come to Docr Thorntons and paid him half a Dollar which paid a bottle of Snuff I had from him on the 13th of last Sept and half of another bottle of snuff which I got from him now and I owe him one shilling Lawfull for the other half yet and I came to William Morrows and lodged there the night following

30th I came home

DECEMBER FIRST

I went to Capt Karrs to pay him some money but he was not at home and I did not leave any for him and I came to Mathw Littles to hold a Court between Esqr Rand Plant and David Currier James Patterson appeared for Rand by a power they settled themselves and the Evening on town affairs untill midnight I had a mug of flip

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM DECEMBER 1st 1766

2d I writ a deed from james Vose to james Patterson of no 17 & 18 in the 8th Rang in this town unpaid and in the Evening Silas Walker sent for me to go to Col Goffes to administer some Oaths Relateing Jenney Conn and him and I went and spent the Evening untill two or 3 of the morning Jenney would not take what Col Goffe and Capt Barron made her but said she would let judgment pursue him and never would ask him for anything but would mantain the child herself

3d We got Capt Goffes Cart and the boys went one turn to the meadow for hay with our own oxen

4th went one turn to the meadow with our oxen

5th went two turns to the meadow with our oxen

6th we had one pair of Clogstons oxen and went two turn to the meadow and I went to Daniel Moors mill and I took 1½ bushell of wheat and I brot 1½ bushell of Rie that was taken there some time ago

8th the boys went two turn with our own oxen to the meadow

9th I sent 5/11 Bay old Tenor with james Patterson to Boston to buy 1 hundred of fram Nails & 1 hundred of pail nails and I gave john Bell the Province and Ministers Lists and Warrants and I got an Almanack from him and I paid him six Coppers for it and the boys brot one jagg of hay with our own oxen from the meadow and in the evening it fell about 2 inches of Snow and then it Rained Considerable and I got some Clay at Pattersons

10th Was a proprietors meeting of this town at Mathw Littles which I attended and was Chosen with my bror Samll and Samll Vose to settle the Propriety line between this town and Amherst and had a mug of flip on Credit and Daniel Moor mended the tang of my large hay fork and made a new Ring for the handle

11th Daniel Moor Made two new shoes of my Iron and set 4 shoes on my Colt the other 2 was my own and I went to Capt Karrs to pay him some money but he was not at home

12th I went Hollis and got Mary Riddells 6 yards of cloath that I carried to Frenches to be pressed he sent the 10½ yds of our own that I took to him along with hers and I got the Ox hide that Fisk tanned for me for the tanning I pd him 4-6-0 Bay old Tenor being one shilling Bay old Tenr pr pound and I got half a pint of Rum from him to drink as I came home for which I paid him 2/s bay old Tenr and I bot 2 Dozn of Frost Fish from a Watertown man for which I pd him ¾ bay old Tenr Mrs French gave me my Dinner and I gave Esqr Hobarts wife the Note I have of Ebenr Farley of 1-4-0 Lawfull money to give to her husband to try to get the money and I came to my Cosen William Pattens and I got my supper and came home about 3 or 4 of the Clock in the morning and I brot two sides of upper leather from Fisk for David Moor My ox hide when green weighed 86 £ and it made 34 ¾ £ of tenned leather

13th I settled my order from the selectmen for last year being 1-19-2 ½ Lawfull money with john McLaughlin junr Constable and alowed him to pay 0-12-10 Lawfull money of the order to my bror Samuel

15th Daniell Moor Mended a link of one Chain and the Hook of another and I took a Side of Sole Leather to David Moor and he cut the sole stuff for a pair of Duble sold Shoes for jonas he found the upper leather for a pair of Vamps he had of my Leather for David Currier and in the Evening I went to Esqr Rands and Settled with Capt John Stark and Capt Karr on my Note that I gave to Capt Stark the 8th of jany 1760 for 200 Dollars and with what I had paid Capt Stark in Cash and an Order of 58 Dollars Capt Karr drawed on me which I answered to james Cochrane and 32 Dollars I paid Capt Karr this Evening in Cash Reduced the Debt to 37-14-0

Lawfull money and the Intrest is wholy paid off to this day for which 37–14–0 lawfull money I gave Capt Karr my note on demand with Intrest untill paid

16th I mended our hearth and took leather to Samll Patterson to make shoes

17th I built a back to our chimny and in the Evening I was summoned to appear at Esqr Rands to give Evidence in Silas Walker and jenny Conns case and I got home a little before day break

18th I went to Clenches with Samll Vose Capt Barron and Lieut Andrew Bradford to Settle and Run the line between Sowhegan East and Sowhegan West and lodged at Clenches

19th It began to snow the Evening before and Snowed all this day the wind about North and we broke up after waiting till 3 of the Clock my expences was 1 3d of a dollar and I lent Samuell Vose 12s/ Bay old Tenr to pay his expences and we came home in the Evening the snow was up to our horses knees it snowed all the night following tho moderately untill 8 or 9 a Clock the next morning

20th I sent a pistereen to Mathw Littles by jonas and got two pound of Shugar the snow is now 22 inches deep and very solid and we broke the path toward the little meadow half way

22d We broke quit through to the Meadow and I had a pair of oxen from Mr Caldwell from his house to the meadow and back as far as to the topp of the long Silanting hill and we brot home about 2 or 3 Cocks of hay

23d I finished makeing two pails for Widow Bell and sent them to her by jonas toward which I Recd two pound of butter some time ago I supposs near or quite a month

24th I set up a pail and shaved it and my Wife was taken very much out of Case and I got a quart of West India Rum and 5½ ounces of Loaf shugar from Mathw Little on credit and old Mrs Currier and young Mrs Currier came and tarried at our house over night

25th I got 2 Quarts of New England Rum and a one fourth of a pound of Alspice on Credit of Esquire Rand and my wife was little Easeyer

26th I sent a pistereen to Mathw Little by John and got £ 2 of shugar and I went to Lutwyches and I got £ 2 of Rezins a 12s/ and half an ounce of Cinemon a 8/s and half an ounce of Nuttmeg a 6s/ all Bay old Tenr and I paid the money for them and I went to Docr Parker and got some powders from him and spoke to him to come next day and see my wife

27th The Docr came and see my wife and left some Elizr of Viter and some powder and and some hartshorn and levander and a bit of Salve to spread a plaster this day was an Exceeding high wind at N: W: and very cold and I went to Ensn Moors mill and brot home a bushell of Rie and as much Wheat that Jonas took there yesterday

28th was very cold being Sabathday

29th jonas brot one load of hay from the meadow and I brot another both out of McCleary Lott and I Drawed a Writ and Summons for James Caldwell Senr (vs) Andrew Walker very cold

30th very cold and Exceeding windy Sleded hay

31st the cold continued sleded hay

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2d the cold continued sleded hay

3d the night before the most cold of any we had yet and I went to james Gillmors and got three pecks of Indian corn which paid me off for my Runing lines for him on the 28th of last Febry I had Recd half a bushell of rie from him the 19th of last may on the same Acct and I went to Deacon James Moors and got £ ½ of Tea a 18/9 & 7 £ of shugar a 20s/ & a pound of snuff a 11/3 all Bay old Tenr that he brot from Boston for me the amounted to 2–10–0 I sent 2–14–0 and he paid me the change being 4s/ Bay old Tenr and we finished sleding hay from the Little meadow and jonas got 4 bushell of Rie ground at Ensn Moors mill and I got the corn I had at Gillmor ground at Ensign Moors mill this day the cold some considerable abated

5th was more moderate in Respect of the cold and it began to Rain

6th was a great Rain all day and ye snow disolved a considerable deal

7th was fair weather and Exceeding pleasant and moderate

8th Still very pleasant and Moderate and I attended the proprietors meeting of this town at john Bells by adjournment & adjourned further to the Monday the 9th of Febry next at 2 of the clock afternoon to the same place

9th I got a pair of shoes from Samll Patterson that he made for john and another for Bob all my stuff and I got a quart of Rum from Mathw Littles wife on credit and spent some hours with Bob Spear and Moly Smith and got the partys to leave the affair to men

10th I had 2 pair of Oxen from james Patterson and we hauld 4 Loggs to Capt Goffes Mill we went 3 times with Pattersons oxen and 3 with our own

12th I had Pattersons 2 pair of Oxen and we hauled 5 loggs to Capt Goffes mill we went 3 times with Pattersons oxen and 4 with our own and a small logg jonas took in there before makes 10 loggs we have there now in all

13th I went Esquire Rands and Arbitrated with Capt Walker and Capt Moore between Timothy Ferrin and jonathan Currier we spent the whole night following on the Business without sleep and finished the affair Next morning after sunrise next morning the partys settled their Diferance themselves

14th I finished makeing Cooper a joynter for Whitefield Gillmor

15th I carried the joynter for Whitfield as far as Capt Goffes and it snowed a little in the morning and afterward it Rained and made a little shell of a Crust and stuck tight to the Ice underneath

16th jonas took 4 loggs to the mill with our own Oxen and at noon I went to john Bells on town accts with Capt Barron and Ensn Moor met us in the Evening

17th I had one pair of Capt Goffes Oxen and we drawed 7 loggs to the mill we took one logg with our own oxen before we got Goffes

19th Samll Patterson sowed on a pair of Soles on my pumps of my leather and thread and I held a Court at john Bells james Caldwell of Bedford

Plant and Andrew Walker of New Boston Deft The plant was Non suit for his not Endorsing the Writ

20th I had a pair of Oxen from james Patterson and we took 6 loggs to the mill one logge we took with our oxen to the mill in the morning before we got Pattersons and I went as far as to Mathw Littles to see Lieut Moore on town affairs and met with him there and I had a jill of Rum on credit

21st I went and Notified Richard McAllester and James Little to meet the selectmen tomorrow and went to Francis Barnetts after town papers

22d I went and sawed the half of a Red oak logg at Capt Goffes mill for a loom and in the Evening to john Bells and Settled with Lieut Moor on his Constableship for the year 1764 and gave him a Clearance and settled with James Little on his Treasurership for the year 1761 and gave him a Rect for what Rest appeared and there Remaind old Tenor uncounted for and made a further settlement with Richard McAllester on his constableship and gave him a Rect for what he has paid it was in the latter part of the night when we finished our Expences was 36s/ old Tenr Capt Barron assisted me

24th jonas workt for jonathan Currier

26th I went to john Gillmors shop and got him to begin a blade of a jacknif and a butcher knif

27th I went to john Bells and met Capt Barron and we placed Mr Houstons Demand and what he has Recd in order and I held a Court between james Caldwell and Adrew Walker and Caldwell was Non suited and I drawed one Writ to be tried the 10th of February next and john Bell served it Directly I got home about 2 of the Clock in the morning

28th I cut 2 load of Wood

29th I went to jonathan Chamberlains and got about 6 quarts of salt from him and I went to Samll Boyds and I got a bushell of his Salt from his bror Nathn

30th I butchered our hoggs and in the Evening I went to Capt Barrons and we Writ a letter to Mr Houston and I got 4 Sceans of mohair from Esqr Rand

31st I sent the letter to Mr Houston pr my Bob and the after part of the day I spent on jonathan Curriers affair who was taken with an execution by Thos Eliot Depity Sheriff the sheriff took his Neat Cattle and a hogg and his Gun I took the Cattle and the Gun into my custody and half the hogg which I am to be forthcoming for Except Accident the value of what I Recd the sherrif agreed to be 30 Dollars and the sheriff and Esqr Fowler tarried over night with us

FEBRUARY

1st Mr Houston was in New boston

2d I hauled two loggs to the mill and I brot home the Stuff for the Loom

3d I went norwest of the meeting house and cut a tree to make Cart fellows and I had john McLaughlins oxen to help me to bring it into the path and I took it to the mill afterwards with my own Oxen

4th I went and brot home the butt of the tree I cut yesterday for Cart hubbs & john Kidder got ten bushell of ashes for Esqr Rand

5th I made a Cooper joynter for Hugh Orr he found the stick

6th a very cold day and the night following also and I paid William Barnet half a bushell of Salt that I borrowed last june

7th I borrowed 10s/ Bay old Tenr from John Bell and went to james Littles and left 59/3 Bay old Tenr Ten'r with his wife to send to Boston pr Jenny Little and Robt Gillchrist to buy a pair of Tow Cards 7 £ of shugar and the Remainder in Tea

9th I made a pattern for a fiddle for Ceaser Barron and in the afternoon was a proprs meeting of this town at john Bells which I attended and it was farther adjourned untill the 18th of March Next to the house of Mathw Little and in the Evening I filled a Writ for Ebenr Hacket against james Eaton to be tryd at Mathw Littles the 23d Instant at 1 of the Clock afternoon

10th I held a Court at Mathw Littles john Rand Esqr Plant Robt Spear Deft the Plant was Non suited and another wherein james Caldwell was Plant and Andrew Walker was Deft after hearing the partys and their Evidences and Recd their papers I adjourned the Court untill the 23d Instant at one of the Clock in the afternoon to Matthew Littles

12th Alexander Orr and jonathan Currier Swingled flax for me Orr swingled 10¼ and Currier 6 and I went at john Bells Request to his house to do some Writings relating the Potash among the partners but only took minuts to draw by and I got 5 quarts of Molasses from him on credit and after supper I came home late in the night

13th I writ the articles of agreement Relating to the Potash between john Bell and William Parry and I went to john Bells and Parry promised to pay me half a dollar for his part and Robt Ushar paid me the other half Dollar in the following manner (viz) I had from Ushar 2 year this winter 5 Quarts of Molasses came to 3 £ old Tenor and he Recd 40s/ old Tenor on my account for aprize Wart and the half dollar for this days service made 5 £ O : T : he owed me and he paid me the 40s/ which made us clear of all demands on either side & I paid John Bell the 10s/ Bay old Tenor that I borrowed the 7th Instant

14th I got a pair of Tow Cards and 7 £ of shugar and an ounce of Tea at James Littles that Robt Gillchrist and Jenney Little brot from Boston I sent 57/3 Bay old Tenor and what things they brot came to 47/6 and I got no change and I got a b : b : of Cydar from Francis Barnet on Credit and I hauld a pine log to Capt Goffes mill.

16th I went to john Bells with the other selectmen and Jas Caldwell jos scobey jas Lyon to settle with Mr Houston we obtained a clearance from him to the town for the year 1761 but could not get a settlement for any more we broke up between two and three of the clock in the morning our Expences was 5-13-9 old Tenor

17th Capt Lovewell came with a Writ & Summons from Ensn Parker and the Remainder of my note and I gave new notes I gave 2 notes of 35/ and 2 of 30/ and one of 28/9 lawfull money and the Interest was counted and put into said note and I gave Capt Lovewell my note for this writ and for the service of a writ last May for which I had given him a note before but took it up and put that and this in one being 18/ Lawfull all said

notes is on demand with Intrest till pd and I hauld 3 pine logs to Goffes mill

18th I hauld 3 pine logs to Goffes mill

19th I was at Matthew Littles and Hacket and Eaton settled their affair and Hacket paid me 3/ Lawfull for the writ & summons and a pistereen for my service this day they changed Rects

20th I hauld an oak logg to the mill and broke the way to haul fence logs across the field before the house

21st William Morrow brot a new woosted & wool Gown to my wife that her sister Jean Tolford sent her and a peticot to polly that Peggy Tolford sent to her new also

23d I held a court between james Caldwell and Andrew Walker Walker prayd a Continuance and I granted it untill Thursday the 5th day of March next at ten of the Clock in the forenoon to meet at john Bells

24th I went with Capt Barron to john Bells at his desire and we with james Patterson & one john Warren measured his potash Kittles by joseph Scobeys Pewter half gallon and found that they contained 45 Gallons Each by that measure Capt Barron and I charged 1 shilling Lawfull each and I gave him a notification to Robt Thompson to hear some affidavits taken on Friday next at john Bells at ten of the clock in the forenoon and I charged him a shilling Lawfull for it

25th john McLaughlin junr Swingled flax for us and jonas cut wood for his mother on his acct and I borrowed half a sheet of paper from jonathan Curriers wife and I writ a Deed from James Moor to his Bror john of this town. and took the acknowledgement and would not take anything for it on acct of former favours and I swaped away my colt to David Mc Kinney for a little Dutch horse and had 11 Dollars to boot he paid me 8 and gave me an order on Daniell Quig for 2½ Dollars and another on David McCleary for ½ a Dollar

26th I went to Ensign Parkers at Hollis to pay him a johanna but he would not take it untill I could get more and I got 2 bushell of corn from james Mathies for my Runing lines for him and his son james the 15th of last Septr my expences this day was 20/ old Tenor at Mathies and I pd the money and john McLaughlin Junr swingled flax for us he swingled 8½ £

27th I went to john Bells and took Capt Barrons and James Patterson Depositions in Bells & Thompsons case about the Potash Kittles and I gave a summons for Patterson in the morning all unpd my charge is a Dollar and jonas cutt wood for john McLaughlin for his swingling flax for me yesterday and I paid john Bell the remainder of the new tenor part of my province Rates I paid him 20/ old Tenor before and I paid him a 3 £ this day and 3½ Coper

28th I workt at makeing a Bedsted

MARCH FIRST

I attended the funeral of old Mr Thos Vickery who Departed this life The 27th ult about 10 or 11 of the Clock forenoon

2d Hugh Campbell came to our house to make me a Suit of Cloaths

3d I went to London Derry to young john Pinkertons and I got 2½ Dozen of Coat Buttons and 2 Dozen of jacket buttons the coat was 20s/

old Tenor pr Dozen and the jacket was 10/ pr Dozen and I pd the money it was a very Rainy day

4th We opened our Potatoes that was buired and they were sound and good and we went to Goffes mill and haulld of a parcel of boards we have 22 pine logs sawed out of this winters haulling

5 I held a Court between james Caldwell and Andrew Walker I adjudged Caldwell to receive £ 1-9-0 Lawfull and costs from Walker and Walker appealed and Hugh Campbell finished making a Suit of Cloaths for me and Capt Barron and I Drawed the Wart for the March meeting and gave john Wallace and order for 14-14-0 old Tenor being for his time as a Comtee man about the Pulpit and what things he found toward it

6th about noon I went and got james Patterson to help me make at 2 bed cords and I had a qt of Rum from john Bell on credit

7th he came after breakfast and we workt till night we lacked almost 2 threads the length of both Ropes

9th I got a qt of rum from Matthew Little on Credit and I finished makeing the Bedcords there was about 30 fathom it takes 13 fathom for a bed cord and a thread about 104 feet is sufficient to make it and Samll Patterson sowed on a pair of half soles on jonases Shoes

10th I new faced Hugh Orrs joynter and workt at makeing a new one for him

13th I went to old Mrs Vickerys and writ the writings for the settlement of the Estate among the heirs for which they gave me two bushell of corn home with me I got home a little before break of day

14th I got one and one half bushell of the corn ground at Ensign Moors Mill

16th I had James Pattersons oxen helping me a little more than half the day drawing fenceing logs across the old field

17th I drawed second logs with my own oxen and horse Matthew Little gave me a breachem and lent me a pair of Heams

18th was a proprietors meeting of this town at Matthew Little which I attended and I got a pair of Calfskin Vamps from David Moor for my Wifes shoes

19th Samuell Patterson went home by my house from the meeting yesterday and cutt out the sole stuff for my wifes shoes and Sole stuff for a pair for me that is out sole stuff for each pair there was insole and heel stuff at his house and I had Matthew Littles and James Pattersons oxen and Capt Goffes oxen part of the time and we drawed in onto the ways 12 pine logs and one oak of mine and three oakes for Goffe I have only 2 white pine loggs more to Draw in & I had a ewe Died the night before who was taken last saterday

20th we hauld the top logs for the fence across the old field

21st in the morning it snowed and then rained hard the greatest part of the day

22d I heard Mr Moor preach in Bedford in ye forenoon from the 17th verse of the 32d chapter of Isiah and in the afternoon from the 9th of the Hebrews and 27th verse the night following we had a lamb die that was lambd the night before

23d I went to old Mr Blodgets and got from him 27 £ of Dry fish 26/ Bay old Tenor Tweed owes me for measureing a peice of land which I alow to be offsett toward them and the Remainder I owe for being 14/6 Bay old Tenor a 1/6 per £

24th I hauld my boards off the mill and a Small Stock of oak Plank and I got a black Cherry the stick sawed that grew in Pattersons land on the brook Samuel Patterson cut it it had lyan 5 or 6 year and was Considerablely damaged and David Moor sewed on a pair of soles on my pumps the leather was mine and the thread was his

25th was our annual meeting and I was chosen Clerk and secondd selectman and john Bell gave the last years Selectmen a Dinner at free coast

26th On the 24th I lent Daniell Moore blacksmith my horse to go to Amherst for iron and he returned the 25th in the afternoon to the meeting house and there he tyed him to the fence and at Evening he went off to john Bells and tarried there all night and jas Wallace was at Mr Houstons who gave the horse same hay in the morning and afterward turned him loose in the field to pick what he could find and Moore came after him about 9 of the clock and about 10 or 11 brot him home

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM THE 26th OF MARCH AND PART OF SAID DAY PART OF WHICH DAY IS IN THE FOREGOING BOOK

and he told me at Bells in the evening that the horse was broke lose when he left the meeting house which was not so for Deacon Gillmore saw him there after the meeting was adjourned about 10 of the clock I set of to look for the horse and went to Moors shop and found he had not come home from thence I went to the meeting house and toward john Bells I met with James Wallace who told me the horse was tied all night and told me he gave me a lock of hay in the morning and then let him lose and Moor told him he had been looking for the horse all night and presently after he said he told my joas to take him home the Evening before

27th I found the symptons of ague in my flesh

28th I was obliged to ly in bed and the Rose broke out in the inside of my left leg on the Calf and partly on the backside my wife tryd to sweat me but could not and jonas was much out of case allso with a Cold and lay by all day

29th jonas and I lay all day

30th we felt a little better and in the afternoon I attended our annual meeting by adjournment which finished it

31st I had a new Shoe set on my horses off fore foott where there was a new one set on last Tuesday and was off on Thursday att Daniel Moors shop by Mr Ross and I went to Litchfield to divide of widow Parkers thirds and I got a 5 pail Kittle from Esqr Rand at £ 20 old Tenor price it weighed 67 £ lodged at widow Parkers

APRIL FIRST

Divided or Run widow Parkers 3ds off and lodged at William Pattersons

2d I run the line between him and Lieut Heldreth and then went and run a peice of a line for sd Hildreth and Bixby I charged 10 / Bay O : T : and I owed him 15/ Bay Old Tenor for half a bushell of Rie I had from his son David last year and I paid him 5/ Bay O : T : with the 10/ I Earnd pd the 15/ I owed for the half bushell of Rie and I came home in the afternoon in company with Whitcomb that Silas Barns sent to get a Deed of our Right in No 6 and I signed the Deed and he paid the value of 110 Dollars in Gold and Silver one quarter was mine

3d I went to Hollis and paid Ensn Benjn Parker 24 Dollars being 20s/ Bay old Tenor more than I owed him and he could not pay it to me for want of change and I lodged at Esqr Cumings.

4th I went to Mr jas Gordons shop in Dunstable and I got one iron pot ½ lb Tea one Quire of paper one bottle of snuff without the bottle 1¾ Chalk and ne sive bottom and 5 Qts of Molasses came to 5-14-8 Bay old Tenor and I paid him 3 Dollars and I owed him something before and the 3 dollars Reduced it that I owe him 3-2-5 bay old Tenor and I came home

6th I writ a Deed from Deacon Smith to his son james and acknowledged it and a note for 80 Dollars to the deacon from james and would not take anything for my pains and I sent james to Thos Eliot on acct of Curriers Cattle and a letter with him for Eliot

7th I went to Ensn Moors Mill and got 1½ bushell of Wheat and as much Rie ground and I came home by the spruce swamp by Taggarts and got some spruce

9th I went with William Patterson of Litchfield to New boston to help him to settle some affairs between him and Andrew Walker but Walker was not at home I lodged at James Phersons

10th I came home & Major Tolford and john Caldwell Lodged at my house

11th I went to London Derry with Major Tolford and I settled my note with james Cochrane and I paid Major Tolford his part and his bror Williams part of the price of our No 6 Right Wm Tolford lent his part to me and I pd it to the Major an acct of Cochrane and I gave my note to the Major for 9-2-6 and I sent a note to William Tolford for 8-5-0 which 2 sums makes what I owed Cochrane and 19/0 La Mo of Extraordinary Intrest which 8-5-0 was William Tolfords part of said right and I paid Major Tolford 4-10-0 old Tenor for my part of the Charges on sd Right and the said Sum out of Caldwells part of the money and the Remainder of Caldwells part of the price of said Right I pd to Robt MacMurphy for him there was 4 Guines that wanted 19 grains of Weight Which the Major took and is to be made up to him being 7/11 Bay old Tenor each we expect that the man that paid it to us will make it up and I lodged at Robt Macmurphys

12th I went to Mr Davidsons Meeting and heard him preach from the 54th verse of the 119th Psalm and I lodged at Wm Morrows

13th I got 1½ bushell of Corn from William Morrow and I got it ground at Col Goffes mill as I came home yesterday Mr Houston was absent

from Bedford and in the afternoon I went to the Raising of Ensn McLaughlins Barn

14th I divided the boards with Capt Goffe that he Sawed for me this spring there was 33 logs that we divided there is one white pine stock yet to divid and 2 logs of white pine yet to Saw that Goffe is to have all the boards my half is to pay 145 feet I borrowed from him last spring and if there is any over he is to pay me for them again I let him have 78 feet of white oak 2½ plank which paid him for his sawing plank for my Cart fellows and Stuff for a loom and maple I have there now to make a Bedstead of and a Cherry tree that he sawed into boards he sawed and made a Crooked axle tree for his Wheels the stick was mine and I am to have it as soon as I get a pair of wheels.

15th was the Province Fast and I went to Blodgets farm to samll Blodget and carried him a coppy of the proprs Names of Goffstown and of the Votes relateing his farm and charged him nothing and he gave me 20½ £ of Dry polock fish a present

16th I finished sowing the peice between the house and barn with peas I sowed a bushell and 5 quarts on it and Mr Eliot the sherriff came here about Curriers Cattle and tarried over night

17th he went away but continued the cattle still in my Custody for a month and I got what hay Currier had which was about 3 Cocks and that not good it had lost the Colour before he got it home last summer and it took Rain in the Hovil and was Qute yelow and my wife pd Margret and Ann Wallace for their spining at our house last faull in flax at 4 £ pr week each amounting to 18 £ of flax

18th I paid Capt Lovewell 3 Dollars that I gave him my note for being for the service of 2 writs and one of the writs the one was a Court writ that he served for Ensn Parker to last June court the other was a justices last Febry from Ensign Parker also but Parker denies that he alowed him to fill a writ for me only to come and if I had the money to Receive it and if I had not for me to Renew the note the Court writ I pd Mr Livermore for last faull

20th my boys and I laid up the Log fence across the old field before the house

21st I took a Bill of Sale from jonathan Currier of an Oval Table Chest of Drawers a great Chair and 6 painted Chairs and a new Coverlit in the room of his Cow which I let him have to give milk to his Wife it began to Rain about the time the Moon Quartered

22d Rained hard in the morning the wind at about E : S : E : and blowed considerable hard and Rained a considerable and I entered the March meeting Wart and Votes in the town book

23d I went to Dunstable and got ½ a bushell of barly Malt at Taylors for which I paid ¼ of a dollar and I got 1 Dozn knifs and forks a 2-10-0 1 ounce of Indigo a 9/2 £ red wood a 5/½ £ of Powder a 8/3 Hundred of Board nails a 22/6 5 Quarts of Molasses a 20/ ½ £ of Glew a 4/6 and ½ pint of Rum 1/3 all bay old Tenor from Ovid Houston and I pd him a Dollar toward them and I got 1 ounce of Onion Seed from Mrs Harwood for which I paid her 4/1 Bay old Tenor

24th I paid Capt Goffe 21 nails that jonas borrowed this week and I had 1 pair of Clogstons oxen and we brot home 2 stocks and 2 boards from Capt Goffes mill measuring 530 feet

25th I finished makeing a Bedsted for ourselves

27th We had our Heifer Calve in the morning a Cow Calf and james Patterson Gelded 2 pigs and 2 Lambs and a boar that we kept over winter

28th I Drawed a Complaint and warrant for Hugh Rowan against jaffrey Donahu james Riche and Alexander Graham for an Assault and Battrey with 5 Supeneas unpaid the charge is 5s/ Lawfull money and I got 5½ £ of Veal of jonathan Curriers Calf a 3s/6d pr £ old Tenor from Esqr Rand or Currier as it may be settled and I went to the saw mill and my Bror Samll haulling logs and I got his 2 pair of Oxen to help me haul home 387 feet of Boards on Capt Goffes Draughts and I went to jonathan Chamberlins to Run lines for him tomorrow

29th I Measured from the Southeasterly corner of the bounds of land Chamberlin has now in the law to the River on the point S 85 W two miles and 32 Rods And we came came to the River at the Corner of Litchfield a Red oak tree Marked in McNights field and I came to Col Goffes and I measured 7 acres that he let Esqr Rand have where Rands house stands and john Got 3 bushell of Indian Corn from Moses Vickery and got 1½ bushell of it ground at Col Goffes mill

MAY FIRST

I workt at Makeing a Chest to carrie to amoskieg.

2d I got Capt Walkers Spade and I diged our Garden

3d our Bell Cow Calved a Bull Calf

4th john McLaughlin Junr got 2 pigs for two I got from him last Summer and I went to Esqr Rands and was Sworn as an Evidence in the Case between the Proprietors of Londonderry & jonathan Chamberlin (viz) how far his land is from Merrimack River There was a great Rain this latter part of the Day

5th I gave james Caldwell senr a Summons for three Witnesses to be sworn at john Bells the 18th Jnstant and a Notification to Andrew Walker to come and hear them sworn and I coppyd for john Bell his and Wm Parrys articles Relateing their Potash all unpaid and I butchered one of our pigs and jonas got a peice of butter from old Mrs McLaughlin about ½ a pound and a wooden bottle of Cyder from james Little

6th john Jempson made me a pair of surbands for a Chest and a Staple for a bolt to lock in and I gave him a Dram on the acct

7th I finished Makeing a Chest to take to Amoskeig and we began to plant Potatoes in the old Cow yard

8th we planted part of the peice before the Barn with potatoes and I made a Hand borrough

9th I went to Esqr Holands to give Evidence between the Proprs of Londonderry and Jonathan Chamberlin for the Proprs and they gave me £4 2:0 old Tenor for my service and I came as far as Col: Goffes and tarried there till morning

10th I came home and sent jonas to john Bell and got ½ £ of Tea and a

bottle of Snuff done in paper that he brot from Ovid Houston for me and Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

11th I got 3 quarts and about 3 half pints of Hemp seed from james Patterson and I sowed some of it by the Gate & some between and the Cellar and some before the Barn and we sowed the Garden below the Well

12th I met at john Bells on acct of Hugh Rowens case the officer Mr Gearfield apprehended Alexr Graham and summoned 4 Evidences and 3 appeared and for want of the other Evidences I Recognized Graham and the Evidences who ware to appear at john Bells on the 21st Instant at one of the Clock in the afternoon and jonas got 3 bushell of Corn from Moses Vickery and got it ground at Col: Goffes Mill

13th I sowed some Hemp seed in the Hollow above the old Garden and by the fence between the house and barn I have sowed about 3 quarts of hemp seed in all and I sowed about 3 quarts of Barly and I lost a lamb toward Evening we found it next morning when we skin,d it it appeard to be much bruised On the off side against the Kidney and forward to the Ribs and down On the belly and the near side opposite to the hart but not so high up was bruised but not so much as the off side

15th I sowed about a bushell and 27½ quarts of Flax seed above the Barn and I got 2 Gallons of Tar from Capt Barron and a quart of Rum from Esqr Rand on Cr

16th I went afishing to Seabens Pond and I catchd 20 Pickerel and I finished makeing a Canno all but Pitching

18th I went to Esqr Holands at Capt Karrs Request to see him on acct of the money I owe him and I came home and I went to john Bells and took some affidavits for james Caldwell (vs) Andrew Walker and the boys planted the peice back of the Barn with Corn and Potatoes and Dunged it they carried the Dung from the barn And my Wife got £ 6 and 11 ounces of Pork from jona Curriers Wife & I pd Esqr Underwood 40/2 old Tenor the Remainder of ye price of two bushell of Rie I had from him two year ago or there about.

19th My wife carried a web to David McClearys and the boys fenced in the Lane between the House and barn and planted a few potatoes and went to the ponds and catched 29 Pickeral & pearch and one pout and Wm Morrow brot us 4 shad in the Evening after we were in Bed

20th this morning before we were up our Black Cow Calved a Bull Calf and I took Wm Morrows Horse to the Sceane to him and I helpt two or three Haulls and the Company gave me 15 Shad and I bot a bushell of Salt from Moses Watt for 4 £ old Tenor and I paid him the money

21st I got a qt of Rum from M: Little on Cr and I gave the most of it to the scean men over against Pattersons and I fished at that Scean from dark to Sun Rise and I got 60 shad for my divede and in the afternoon I went to john Bells to hold a Court between Hugh Rowen Comp and Alexr Graham Respt and Rowen not appearing to prosecute his Compt nor no person for him I dismist Graham and the Witnessess without Examining them of the affair

22d Recd 3 Hundred of 10d Nails from jona Currier that he brot from Mr Gordons for me on Esqr Rands acct

23d 1 butchered our heifer Calf it weighed 33 £ and I got a pair of Canno sides from Capt Goffe and I nailed them on the bottom

25th I finished makeing and pitching the Canno for myself and the one for Esq Rand and I borrowed about a gallon of Tar from Capt Goffes wife

26th I Coppyd of Caldwells and Walkers case for Walker and Walkers acct for Caldwell and john got 3 bushell of corn from Moses Vickery

27th I sent my own Canno to amoskieg by Capt Walker and my bror Samuell Team and I sent the Canno I made for Esqr Rand to Goffes ferry with my Oxen and jonas with them and one Paddle and I made off a pair of trucks to go to the falls to bring home fish and john got 3 bushell of meal ground at Ensn Moors and he got 30½ yards of Dimity at David McClearys that he wove for us

28th I went to fish at Amoskeeg and I fished untill thee 6th of June at night and in that time I sent home 354 and I got 60 of jonas that he would not sell and 38 of john I gave 100 for 2½ bushell of salt and 60 I let Ensn Daniel moor have toward what I owe him and 20 I let Capt Walker and my bror have 120 I sold for money and a hoe 10 I gave Robt McMurphy and 10 I let Gan Riddell have toward ½ a Gallon of Rum I had from him last summer

8th 9th 10th 11th and 12th in the forenoon I with jas Patterson Ebenr Hacket and Alexr McMurphy we workt at our fishing place between the Pulpit and Sullivans Point we Settled our acct Relateing to the makeing it and I had 2:19:6 comeing to me Hacket was to pay me 2:4:6 and there was 15s/ in my hand by 5 shad that I sold and he owes me 1:9:6 all old Tenor And I bot a Barrell of Cyder from Capt Walker and my bror for a Dollar and I pd them the money I owe the bringing it on to the Island from the East side yet

14th Was Sacrement in Bedford and Mr McGregore assisted mr Houston

15th john Gillmor made a New Shoe for my Horse of my iron and steal,d the toe of another and Sett them and Charged 20s/ old Tenor and I went to the falls to look for a Net and bow and pole that john took to fish at the Setting place but could not find it

16th I went to Amherst to Mr Heldreths a Witness in james Caldwells and Andrew Walkers case and I tarried over night

17th I came home about the middle of the Day

18th was a considerable Rain

19th I went and got me some Ash for scoop net bows and made two and we hung our fly net and catched 2 salmon Mc Laughlin and Patterson divided the largest in two and I had the smalest mine weighed 10¾ theirs I suppossed weighed about two or 3 pounds more than mine

22d I writ a Deed from Thos Boies to Hugh Campbell of the Lott No 12 in the 8th Rang and went and Run Round it to be paid by Boies and Thos Boies and I writ and Signed 4 warrants to 4 of the surveyors of highways and I shaved 3 scoop net Bows and bended them

23d I went and Run lines for Capt john Stark about Thos Russ's place by Amoskeeg falls and I catched a salmon I suppossed would weigh 18 £ and I left it under the floor of Capt Karrs house but when I came there in

the Evening my Salmon was gone and Esqr McAllan and Ephraim Martain helped me look for it some time but could not find it

24th I went to the falls in the forenoon and I catched a Salmon that weighed about 12 £ and in the afternoon my boys and I sticked up what boards I had at Capt Goffes mill we had 115 boards in Number and james Patterson and Nathll and I catched 2 salmon and I had ½ of one that weighed 6 £ and we sent one of our boys to Matthew Littles and got a pound of Shugar and a pint of Rum from him on Cr

27th I carried a Note of 4 : 4 : 9 La Mo : to against Lieut Josiah Brown to Amoskieg and sent it from there by Ensn McAllan to Capt john Stark to Receive the money for me and there was 3/3 La : Mo : to be added makes 4 : 8 : 0 prinsaple and Intrest on it for 13 months And I bot a bottle of snuff from Thos Russ boy for 40s/ old Tenor and I pd for it and in the morning james Patterson brot me 2 Salmon that weighed 20 pound & Thos McLaughlin had one that weighed 15 £ and Patterson had half a salmon

28th I went to New Boston and heard Mr Moor and Mr Davidson the administered the sacrament Mr Moor carried on he preached the Acention seromon and fenced the Tables Mr Willson assisted likewise I lodged at Alexr McColums & Mr Houston was at Hillsborough

29th I went to Meeting and heard Mr Willson and I Came by Matthew Caldwells and swore him to an acct and came home I borrowed Alexr McCollums Hooks and Mandrell for Turning Dishes

30th I began to try to turn Dishes and Thos McLaughlin catched 6 Salmon one he gave Capt Goffe for helping him to draw and one I got of 12 £ and Thos and Jamie got 22 £ Each

JULY FIRST

we hauled and catched one that weighed 20 £ and Jamey had it he is 3 £ ahead of Thos and 17 ahead of me and I got ½ a Salmon that weighed almost 6 £ and one that weighed 8¾ and another peice that weighed 7 £

2d I hauled alone in the morning and catched one that weighed 11½ £ and Patterson got it and I went to fish at Amoskieg for Salmon but got none and Thomas Eloit came to my house about Jonathan Curriers Cattle that he took with an Execution last Janury and Lodged at my house the night following

3d I went to Matthew Littles and Writ a Deed from Christopher Williams to jotham Tuttle and another from sd Williams to Geo Hadley and another from sd Tuttle to sd Hadley and took the acknowledgements of the 3 and an Instrument from Tuttle to Hadley for Tuttle to lift a mortgage that lay on the land he Deeded to him and I Drawed an Acct for Tuttle against Josiah Folensbe and swore him to it Williams is to pay me one shilling Lawful mo and Hadley is to pay me 3s/ La : Mo : in Corn and Tuttle paid me one shilling La : Mo : and he owes me 2/ yet and I bot a Scyth from Matthew Little on Cr

4th I went along with john Clogston and Benj Davis and Run Round the lott no 2 in the second Rang on the south side of Piscataquog River in Goffstown and Divided it in equal halfs between them Clogston is to give

me a bushell of Rie for his part and Davis to let me have as much for his part for my service

6th I took the Invoice of all West of me of my part except the Curriers & Morrials and Murdough and I went to jonathan Lyons and he gave me an old Horse Collar

7th I drawed up james Caldwells cost in his and Andrew Walkers case since the jugement I gave and james Patterson brot me a salmon that weighed 19½ £ they got 3 the one that jamie got weighed 11 £ and Thos weighed 17 £ and Thos and Col Goffe and I hauled at noon and we catched 3 one gave the colonel that weighed I suppose 18 £ I got one that weighed 20¼ and Thos got one of 12½ £

8th I Run lines for Col Goffe about the home lotts in Bedford (viz) No 39 & 41 but could not finish the corner bound being chiefly gone and the lines being exceeding brushey

10th I turned some Dishes and took my plough irons to Daniel Moor to be mended and on the 9th I hauled home two jags of boards from Capt Goffes mill with my oxen and horse

11th Daniel Moor laid a peice of iron and steel on the colter of my plough iron and I turned some Dishes

12th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford and was in Londonderry in Mr MacGregores Room

13th I began to plough in my field before the house I ploughed about half the day

14th I went with Mr Thos Eloit to Ephraim Martains to see to get in with partners with him in the Mine he has found which was Defered untill Capt Martain comes from Cohass and I butchered a Calf that jonas got from james Patterson it weighed 44 £ of meat and 5½ skin he got it for his freedom frolick which is this day and jamie Patterson and Thos Maclaughlin and my john went to Sebeans brook and catched one Salmon that weighed 10 £ and they sent it to be Cooked for jonas frolick

16th I sent to james Mathies to Arbitrate with Lieut Reed and Arthur Darrah between Capt Ezekial Greele and Alexander Orr concerning a note given the 28th of March 1753 continued on the business till past Midnight

17th we finished and both partys aquiesed and Exchanged Receipts and Capt Greele gave me a Dollar for my pay and I came home by dark

18th I ploughed about half the day

20th I paid Francis Barnet 4–16–0 old Tenor for a barrel of Cyder I had from him the 14th of last February and I had john Clogstons oxen ploughing and he had my horse to plough among his Corn in their Room

21 & 22d was Rainey Weather and on the 22d john got 3 bushell of Indian corn from Moses Vickery and got it ground at Ensign Moors mill

23d I had Kidders Steers helping me to plough we ploughed some more than half the day

24th I had the same steers helping me plough

25th I finished ploughing the old field before the house by noon I had Kidders steers helping me to finish and yesterday susannah got 8¼ £ of pork from james Littles wife for 6 Dishes she got the 23d and she sent us

a pig for a Roaster and I sent john to Ensign Moors mill and got 3 bushell of Rie ground

26th I heard Mr Williams of Winham preach in Bedford for Mr Houston in the forenoon from the 26th varse of the 16th of Matthew and in the afternoon from the Parable of the prodigal son in the 15th of Luke

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM THE 26th OF JULY 1767

27th james Patterson and I catched a Salmon between break of day and Sun Rise that Weighed 12 £ we divided it in 3 equal shares among us and McLaughlin and I ploughed with my own oxen and horse in the field above the barn and I went to the brook in the afternoon and we hauld and catched 4 salmon and James patterson & Thos McLaughlin and I evend all our severall divids of fish this Summer and I got ½ of a 16 £ Salmon and McLaughlin had the other half and one of 9 pound and jamey had one of 19 pound and another of 10 £ which division made all our other divisions this summer Even

28th we catched 4 Salmon at pattersons Brook one at cold brook and 4 at Sceekos brook I got 4 that weighed 32 £ in our Division that weighed 36 by my Stillards jamey got 29 £ and Maclaughlin 30 by our division and I ploughed the Remainder of the day with my oxen and horse above the Barn

29th my john and I went and hauld in the afternoon and we catched 2 Salmon I had one that weighed 7¼ £ and Thos and Jamey had the other I suppose weighed about 9 or 10 £ and I got a quart of Rum from Esq Rand

30th I ploughed with my own oxen and horse and Thos Maclaughlin catched one Salmon that weighed 9 £ we are all even only jamey is one pound behind

31st I had john Maclaughlins oxen helping me plough and with the heat and the Shower that was in the afternoon we ploughed about half the day

AUGUST FIRST

I had john McLaughlins oxen helping about half of the forenoon and I finished fellowing my field above the barn and I drawed an advertisment to put into the prints for the sale of Thos Halls place for john Hall

2d Mr Houston was in Hillsbourgh and Capt Barron Drawed a Double tooth for Susanna it had 3 prongs

3d jonas helped me to Reap and Susanna got a gallon of Rum from Matthew Little for me and she got a pound of shugar from him and gave him 20s/ old Tenor and the overplus I am to have credit for and I sowed the Turnip seed on the Right hand as we go to the Well

4th we finished the peice above the barn and reaped a few sheaves in the field above my brors and I spent full half the day with john Quig and I butchered a Ewe I did not weigh her my Stilyard was from home and I got one 3d of a 10 £ Salmon that jamey Patterson catched

5th joshua Blodget helped me to reap some better than one half the day it raind the most part of the afternoon we Reaped 8 Stooks and 2 Sheaves and my jamey and I went to the mouth of the brook at Pattersons and

catched a Salmon that weighed 9¾ £ and I Drawed a Complaint for Jannet Quig against Ann Gibson Directed to Col Goffe

6th was wet the fore part of the day and my Robt and I went and catched a Salmon that weighed 12½ £ and jamey Patterson and Thos McLaughlin had it and they brot me the one I catched yesterday and we Reaped 3½ Stooks and a half

7th jonas and joshua Blodget helped me the most of the day we Reaped 14 stooks and my jamey and jamey Patterson and I catched a Salmon that weighed 8½ £ and we gave it to Samll Patterson and my susa carried it to his house

8th it misted and wet in the morning that I Reaped none all day I mended up 2 Rakes and spent near half the day with Capt Barron and john began to Plough the field by my brors and our young Cow took Bull of Capt Barrons bull

10th William Errowin helped me to Reap we finished my Rie we Reaped 7 Stooks I have 33 Stooks in the field by my brors and I got a quart of Rum from Matthew Little on Credit

11th I had Capt Goffes Cart and Carted in my rie I have 40 Stooks in all this year

12th I mended at my rakes in the forenoon and in the afternoon I went to james Aikens and got 3 £ of Tobacca to be settled toward what he owed me and jonathan Currier brot me a bottle of Snuff that I sent for to Ovid Houston by Rachel Searles last week I sent 18s/ Bay old Tenor by her for it

13th jonathan Currier gave us a pig for Roasting and I killed and I got a quart of Rum from Matthew Little on Cr and I began to mow in the Little Meadow in the burnt lott

14th I mowed some and bob and I Raked 10 Cocks

15th I finished mowing the burnt lott it Rained the night before and this morning and Rained 2 showers this afternoon

16th sabbathday was a very clear day the night following it Rained

17th I went to Lucy Barrons and got her to cut out a pair of Tow britches for myself and it Rained a Shower about 2 o Clock that I could not take any care of my hay at the meadow and I butchered a Ewe

18th jotham Tuttle senr came and helped me and we began to mow in the Squar in the little Meadow on the East side of the brook and we Raked up the Remainder of the burnt Lott

19th sd Tuttle helped me and jonathan Currier helped me mow a little more than half the day

20th sd Tuttle and Samll Patterson helped me we finished mowing the squar and yesterday and today I borrowed two fulls of my little wooden bottle of Rum from James Caldwell junr

21st Tuttle went home in the morning Early and jonathan helped me

22d sd Currier helped me in these two days we Stacked the hay on the burnt lott and two stacks on the squar (viz) one on the east side of the brook of 37 Cocks and one S : W : of the Maple tree of 32 cocks there was 33 on the burnt lott and we Raked up what Remaind of the squar there is 76 cocks in the squar yet to stack

25 26 27 & 28th my boys and I workt at mowing the dispute lott shakeing out 9 cocks in the squar that we raked on saterday and Raking and Stacking the whole that Remains there was 27 cocks on the Dispute Lott this week I got a quart of Rum from Matthew Little and on the 25th john got 1½ bushell of Indian corn from Moses Vickery I have 205 Cocks in number in the Little meadow this year the half of them were small this week hitherto has been Exceeding hot weather on the 28th in the afternoon at evening there came up a great Thunder shower attended by aboundance of thunder and Lightening and in the Evening there came up another attended also with abundance of thunder and Lightning both heavy showers and came from the Northwest or between that and west

29th The air quit cool and I got a Gallon of Rum from Matthew Little and I butchered a Ewe

31st I went to the little Meadow and gathered up hay that Deacon Smiths oxen had tore out of 4 of my stacks james Caldwell junr informed me of it john Mcneall see them in the meadow yesterday and john went to Londonderry

SEPTEMBER FIRST

jonathan Currier helped me mow half the day and john brot home a bushell of the salt that I bot of Lieut Stinson last spring and jean Macmurphys side saddle

2d was a Cloudy day and I had john Maclaughlins junrs horse and my wife went to bostonward to sell some cloath and thread and I borrowed a bushell of Oats from Matthew Little for Her to carrie with her and john went with her as far as john Jacobs with her and he paid james Caldwell junr the 2 quart bottles full of Rum that I borrowed from him while I was geting my hay at the Little meadow and samuell Patterson mended my Saddle bags and I shaved shingles for him for it and I lent Samll Patterson 8 quart Potts full of Salt

3d jonathan currier and I mowed in my meadow and Samuell Patterson finished shaving and bundling 1½ thousand of Shingles that I lent him which was split out lying at my house

4th I mowed the most of the day as far up as the croth of the brook and the boys raked what jonathan Currier and I mowed the 1st Instant into winrows

5th was a small frost and I cut our tobacca all down and I lent jonathan Currier 4½ bushell of Ashes and we got the hay in Cocks a little above the Beaver Dam there is 66 cocks of it

6th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford there was a frost this morning

7th we hung up our Tobacco in the sheeps house we have about 412 stalkes a great many of them is small

8th I writ a letter to Col Atkinson for Jonathan Blanchard Esqr to Excuse my going to the Superiour Court this month and I mowed the afternoon in the north prong in my meadow and john got 1½ bushell of Indian Corn from Moses Vickery and brot it to Col Goffes mill and left it there over night and almost ½ a bushell of Rie that he carried from home with him

9th I finished mowing my meadow at home and I got Capt Goffes Cart and john and james brot in a Jag of hay in the evening

10th was a considerable shower in the morning and was cloudy all day and m:sted by turns

11th was a fair day and the childer workt at turning the cocks upside down and they carted in a Jag in the Evening

12th they carted in two jags the second jamey Pattterson helped them and he got away the cart and they tooped up the cocks and turned and shook out what was Unraked and my wife came home from Boston on this day I got a Sweat

13th I sent john home with John Maclaughlins Horse

14th I was out of case so that I could do no work and the childer Raked and cocked the hay in the noth prong of the meadow

15th they finished Rakeing hay there is about 110 cocks in the meadow at home and we carted in 3 jags today I workt some today

16th was a Rainy day throughout and I writ a deed from Noah Thayer and his bror jonathan of their 3d Division and Meadow lott To Thos Murdough and they pd me for writing the Deed

17 18 & 19th Continued Rainy cloud weather

20th was a clear pleasant day and warm

21st a clear pleasant day and warm

22d was a Clear pleasant day and warm and I went out to show jonas Cutting the lott I had from Capt Karr by the way of Thos Hall

23d I finished mending my Plough that john broke and it came on a Rain in the after part of the day and Evening which fell out very plentifull

24th 25th I with Capt Barron and Thomas Boies make the minister town and Province Rates at Matthew Littles our Expences in these two days was 4s/ Lawfull money

26th john thrashed 14 sheaves or Rie and I cleaned it there was a little above a bushell of it and I took it to Ensn Moors mill and got it Ground it is the first we have had of new Rie except what shelled in Pitching

27th Mr Houston was in Hillsbourgh

28th plowed above the Barn

29th was a Rainy day and Mr Wilkins came to get Signers for Amherst to be the Shire town of this County and Capt Barron jamey Patterson and I of this town and Wm Macdugall of Goffestown signed for it in this house

30th I finished plowing the field above the Barn and plowed a few bouts in the field above the House

OCTOBER FIRST

in the afternoon I attended the funeral of Wm Arrowins child and my Wife got an Earthen pot from Esqr Rand at 18s/ old Tenr price

2d I shaved some shingles and the boys Harrowed yesterday and today

3d I sowed a bushell and 12 Quarts of Wheat above the Barn and I cleaned up 4 bushell and a peck of Rie john Thrashed it and I went to Ensn Moors Mill and got 2 bushell of the Rie Ground this Day was very warm

5th I sowed 12 quarts of Wheat above the barn and a bushell and almost a half of Rie there

6th I with the other selectmen met at john Bells and looked into Richard McAllesters and john Maclaughlins Constables accts to know how much they had paid Mr Houston and with Mr Houston to see how much is due to him from the town we had a bole of Tody and a jill of Rum And john carried 44 Squars of Sashes to Esqr Rand of 9 by 7 and got a puding pann and a Chamber pot from him

7th I with the other selectmen met in the afternoon at james Caldwells to look about a Road for him to the lane between Deacon Smiths and McDuffies but did not lay one out

8th I spent in Going among the people on the River and from Deacon Boies and homeward to get signers to a Remonstrance to the session of Bedford on acct of Mr Houstons Conduct

9th I went to Samll Pattersons and he sowed on a Sole on one of my pumps and I spent the day in geting signers to the above Remonstrance & in the Evening I went with my bror to Esqr Rands with a Deed that was lodged in my hands which he gave to my bror and Delivered it up and I got a bushell and a half of salt from Esqr Rand a 5/ La : Mo : pr bushell

10th I gave jonas Cutting a Deed of the lott I had from Capt Karr by the way of Thos Hall and the boys found our barrow hog Dead who had been mising since last Wednesday and and we mised our Grown sow this morning what the Distemper is I know not

11th Mr Houston was in Goffestown and we found our Sow Dead north of jonathan Curriers house and another of our pigs was sick

12th another of our largest pigs was very sick we poured in some brimstone and Gunpowder and New Milk into it in the morning and james Patterson came up and Gelded my two Calves and I sowed a little more than 3½ bushell of Rie in the field by my brors and in the night before I borowed some shugar from jonathan Currier the shugar and box and my Rule weighd a pound and two ounces it was our little box and I got a bushell of Rie from john Clogston being his half of my pay for my Runing and dividing the lott in Goffestown that he and Benjn Davis bot between them from Samll Grigs

13th I borrowed 6 bushell of Ashes from john Wallace and carried home Frances Barnetts cyder barrell that I got with the barrell of cyder last winter

14th Susey john jamey Bob Betsey and I went a Chestnuting up to Morrials we got about 1¼ bushell and our pig that has been sick Died

15th About 11 oclock was a small shock of an Earth Quake and the wind blowing from N : W : a considerable breese

16th I spent the day in going by Capt Walkers and the South end of the town to get Signers to the Remonstrance to the Session

17th I thrashed out the Remainder of my hemp seed

17th I cleaned a little more than two bushell of Rie and john went to Ensn Moors and got it Ground and jamy and Bob and I Diged the Trucks body full of potatoes

19th the same boys and I Diged one full and a part of another of the

trucks of potatoes and I went as far as james Vose[s] to get signers to the paper to the Session and I got 2½ Dozen of Mohair Coat buttons from james Vose which cleared all he owed me and we agreed to quit Scores

20th I sent the paper to Deacon Little by my john to old john McLaughlin and by him to Little and john got a pair of Shoes that David Moor made of my stuff they are Rather to small

21st I got a Barrel of Cyder from Francis Barnet I put in 2 bushell of Apples toward it and john Kidder had my horse to mill

22d my wife went to Londonderry to see her Mother and to Chester to see her sister and friends there she Rid our own horse and my john and james worked for Francis Barnett toward the barrell of Cyder I had from him yesterday

23d I drawed a Complaint and Warrant against Mr Houston Directed to Col Goffe Esqr and went and to john Bells and got him to go to john Wallace to the mouth of Pattersons brook to see that the Compt was formed agreeable to what they would say and we finished Raising Potatoes we had in all about 60 bushell at Diging time the peice above the barn produced about 40 bushell and I carried my Compt to Col Goffe who defered signing the Wart untill he could write to Mr Houston which he said he would do directly and that hed come to my house next Monday morning with the Wart

24th I plowed in the field before the House

25th was Mr Houstons Sacrament

26th Col Goffe came to my house and Signed the warrant against Mr Houston that I carried to him the 23d and took it with him to the Mr Houstons Session and Returned at Night to one of my bror Sam[lls] Daughters to give to me which she did Directly and I plowed in the field before the house

27th I plowed in the forenoon and john plowed in the afternoon and I went to james Caldwells and there met Capt Barron and we laid out a highway from McDuffies by sd Caldwells to his East line it began to Rain in the Evening about 8 or 9 oClock and continued all night it was a very mugey warm day

28th the wind was at North East and blowed hard and Rained considerable fast all day and toward night it began to hail with Rain and about dark it got to snow smartly and continued untill in the Evening and then Abated but the wind was high all night and got backward to the North it was a tedious Storm

29th I cleaned up 4 bushell and 3 or 4 quarts of Rie and I wrote a Letter to Capt Karr on acct of money and sent it by Tho[s] Boies to Londonderry and I went to Mr Tho[s] Russes with my Iron Wedges in the Room of his that our Company in the fishing place between Sullivans point and the pulpit borrowed last Spring when we worked on it my wedges weighed £ 7 good wt and his that we borrowed weighed 6 £ 2 ounces

30th I plowed in the field before the house

31st I sowed a little more than two bushell of Rie on the East side of the field before the house and I cleaned up about 18 quarts of Rie

NOVEMBER

2d I went to New boston and lodged at Alexander McCollums

3d I conversed awhile with Deacon Cochrane and his wife Relating to Mr Houston telling the Story or Report about Jannet Boies &c and I sticked up my boards and Slitwork at my place between and New boston

4th I spent the day in forming a further compt against Mr Houston and in going to james Caldwells for more information of what he told him and shewing the highway from john McLaughlin junrs to my land

5th I framed the Ribs of my compt and I Recd a johanna from Capt Goffe of the towns money and I went to Lieut Moors and paid it to Josiah Warren on the acct of his building the pulpit

6th Daniel Moor made two new shoes of my Iron and set them on my horses fore feet

7th I went to see Capt Karr but he was not at home and I got 1½ bushell of Indian Corn from George Hadley he owed me 3 £ old Tenor for Writings I did last Summer at Mathw Littles for him we have submitted that if corn is sold this year at two pistereens a bushell this year then I am to pay him half a pistereen and if the price is 15s/ Silver then I have just got my due

8th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford I think at Wear

9th I went to Capt Starks and got Lieut Browns Note that I carried to him last Summer and I went and See Capt Karr

10th I went to Londonderry to Mr Livermores but he was Sick and could not be spoke with

11th he was better and I gave him a Dollar for his Advice about my prosecuting Mr Houston and for a Retaining fee and I came and lodged at William Morrows

12th I came home and brot two bushell of Meal that Morrow brot to his house that Robt Macmurphy gave my Wife when she was at Derry and Samuel Houston pd me five Dollars of the towns Money that he was bondsman for his bror jamey for which I gave him a Rect

13th I settled Deacon Karrs note and Pope Thos Karrs note that they gave to Bedford for money borrowed and I gave my note to the town for the sums of both Notes being 13–9–0 Lawful money Reckoning Intrest on Intrest and I went to Capt Karrs and he was not at home and I went to Capt john Starkes and found him there but could not Settle notes with him and I came home at one or two oClock

14th I went to james Caldwells to pay Thomas Warren the money I Recd from Samll Houston but he was gone from there and Ebenr Hacket came to me to have me go to Derry on Monday as Evidence between him and little Robert Clark

16th I went to Derry and they settled their affair and I settled the two notes above said with Capt Karr at Mr Livermores only at Intrest the sum came 12–18–7 but Capt Karr promised that if the town would not Rebate the Interest on the Intrest that I should not loos it and Samll Derbon had paid his note of 15–13–6 to Mr. Livermore last septr and the Intrest and prinsaple came to £ 17 and there was 16–19–4 of it Entered on the back of

My Note to Capt Karr the 9th Instant and the 12-18-7 was Entered on the back of my Note today makes 29-17-11 All La : Mo : that there Remains 7-16-1 of my note to Capt Karr and what Interest is due on it and I lodged at Robt McMurphys

17th I came home and Measured what boards I had left at Capt Goffes Mill there was 1078 feet of them the boys hauled them to the River on Monday Morning last

18th I butchered a Ewe that weighd 47 £ of Meat and was in Good case

19th was the Thanksgiveing Through the Province

20th I went to Newboston and Lodged at Deacon Cochranes

21st I came home and it began to snow about Dark and snowed all night the wind at N : E :

22d Mr Houston was absent from Bedford and it snowed hard and the wind high all day It snowed about 24 hours and is about 20 inches Deep of this falling

23d The wind continued high and the snow drifted we broke up to our wood and got home about enough to make two or three fires of small wood with much Dificualty and I mad a Shovel to Clean out the Cattle

24th we went twice for wood but could not at both times bring more than a small load

25th I broke out toward the little meadow as far as to james Caldwells and I attended at john Bells and met with those who are proecuted by Mr Houston and a Number more of the signers of the paper that was given in to the Elders

26th I drawed out my Compt against Mr Houston in form and went to Col Goffes and got him to sign the Wart

27th I went to john Bells who came for me to give the Wart to Gearfield who came up by Measuage by Richard McAllesters boy who was sent to him on purpose yesterday I sent to Mr Houston who came to Bells about one oClock and we spent untill 11 at night but could not agree when the Wart was Served and we agreed to have the tryal next Thursday at Bells at 10 oClock forenoon

28th 1 carried a bushell of wheat to Ensn Moors Mill and I got it ground and I got 2 bushell indian corn from him to be paid by stocking a Gun

30th I went to Londonderry and lodged at Robert McMurphys

DECEMBER

1st I helped him buther a sow and a barrow and in the Evening I went to Esqr Holands and got a Notification to Mr Houston to hear some Witnesses Swore before him at his own house on the 8th Instant

2d Robert McMurphy gave me the Sow and half the Barrow the sow weighed 163 and the half of the Barrow that I got weighed 61 and he gave me Nice peice of beaf and 3 £ and 14 ounces of Tobacca and I came home

3d my trial with Mr Houston before Col Goffe & Esqr Underwood began and we went through one article of the compt

4th we met again and went through all the other articles except one which was to be proved by Esqr Boies wife and daughter who could not come and the justices Deferred giveing Judgement untill the last Tuesday

in January next at 10 of the clock forenoon to meet at john Bells where we had had the trial

6th Mr Houston was to preach for Mr MacGregore and Mr Houstons pulpit was Vacant

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM DECEMBER 6 1767

7th I went to Col Goffes and got Capt Barron and Ensn Daniel Moors Depositions taken to go in to the Presbetery on Wednesday next

8th I went to Francis Barnetts John Wallaces and Deacon Boies to see if they Remembered to hear Mr Houston say that the Commite who treated with him about his settleing in Bedford that they agreed with him that he never was to be gone more than ten sabathdays in the year & that privilege to continue but for seven years which they all told me they did Remember it

9th The Presbetery sit in Bedford to trie me and my bror and 6 persons in this town more for asking the Elders the Reasons of their not takeing notice of Mr Houstons being called a Liar in open town meeting to see that he cleared his Charecter in a Lawfull way or settled it in a christian manner before they had assisted or even countenanced as a Minister of the gospel The Presby after a considerable beating round the bush adjourned until 9 oClock tomorrow morning of their own accord

10th before my bror and I got to the meating house the Presby brok up what they did I don't know only divers persons told us that Mr Houston was to have up his compt against us and that we should have up our letter We sent to the Elders which we did not want and I went to john Bells and Drawed a Petition for joseph Steel and Wm Wallace of Amherst to go to the General Court Relating their lands in said town being subject to pay the Proprs Debts for which they paid me half a Dollar and yesterday I agreed with Capt Allds and Hugh Ramsey to Run lines for them the 21st Instant to meet at Capt Allds and this day I agreed with Thomas Boies to meet at john Bells next monday afternoon to examin Bell on his constableship

12th I cut wood and the boys drawed home and susanna went to Samll Pattersons who sent us 12¼ £ of Pork it was a peice cut out of the middle of the hogs Ribs and chine and the Hearts and Livers of two hogs

14th I fell a tree for Staves before Errowins house and in the afternoon I went to john Bells and Examin him on his constableship and Recd £ 3 La : Mo : from john Maclaughlin on his constableship the fell about 7 or 8 inches of snow and crusted

16th I broke out the little meadow and I brot home three or four cocks and john went to Ensn Moors mill with 2 bushell of Rie and a bushell of Wheat and got it ground and james Caldwell gave me 13 £ of pork a peice cut out of the middle of the hogs Ribs and chine

17th I went and got 5 qts of Rum from Fergus Kennedy for which I paid him 25/1 Bay old Tenr

18th I and john Cut 3 load of Wood and the little boys hauled it home and in the night following my Wife's travil was so smart that we gathered Mr McLaughlins Senr midwife Mrs Hannah Barnet young Mrs Cur-

rier my brors wife Mrs Clogston and Kidder and Walker all before morning

19th Mrs Arrowin came and about two of the Clock in the afternoon my wife was Delivered of a Daughter and Mrs Arrowin sit up the night following

20th Hannah Barnet came and brot a pint or more of Honey and Dressed the child

21st I borrowed almost two quarts of Rum from Fergus Kennedy was all he had

22d Deacon Walker sent me by his son john 24 £ of clear middleing of Pork a present it is a snowey day throughout that night before my wife was brot to bed it snowed all night it fell bout 7½ inches deep and about as deep today

25th I borrowed a Gallon of Rum from Mathw Little and I settled with him for what I owe him and I gave him my Note for it it being 48/2 La: Mo:

26th Capt Barron came to our house according to appointment on town affairs we spent half the day and agreed to meet at john Bells on next monday afternoon and writ an advertisement and sent it by jonathan Currier to be set up at the meeting house tomorrow and writ a letter to the selectmen of Chester Relating john Frenys funeral charges

27th Very cold I felt out of Case

28th Capt Barron and I met at john Bells agreeable to our advertisement to try to let out the takeing an Invoice for the Province and to number the people but could not agree with any person and we agreed to meet At our house tomorrow Evening and sent Thos Boies word to come by john Moor junr

29th I and john went to little meadow for hay but could not get in with the Cattle the meadow was so slipery we pold out 3 turn out on the poles and I brot it home with the oxen and john went to Ensn Moors mill with 3½ bushell and staied all night at Ensn Moors the wind high from about 10 of the clock at N: W: and very cold

30th the wind very Bold and very cold

31st The wind and cold nothing abated

JANUARY FIRST 1768

john and I went to the meadow and pold out 8 turn and brot it home the wind and cold much abated the wind blowed 3 days and three nights Exceeding high and very cold

2d I went to Lieut john Halls and writ a Deed of Thomas Halls Estate to Isaac Godfrey of Kingston sit up till midnight to finish it and tarried all night & Daniel Moor shod my horse he found one new shoe

3d I came home

4th I went back to Lieut Halls and see the deed signd and writ a letter to Mr Godfrey for Abrm Merrill and joseph George and I got 2 quarts of Rum from Lieut Hall

5th I paid Mr Houston 5/1 of john Bells collection on acct of his sallery for the year 1766 and £ 3 of john McLaughlins collection on acct of arrear

and took his Rects accordingly and john Clogston had my horse to Haverhill

6th I went with my oxen and Slede and brot home my Cannoe from the River

8th I cut wood and john Hauled home

9th I went to the meadow and john went and got some Spruce to Brew with and I got 4½ Gallon of Molasses from john Clogston that he got for me at Haverhill

10th Mr Wilkins preached in Bedford for Mr Houston

11th I had my large hay fork mended by Daniel Moor and I got 8 ox shoes that he had sharpened and Nails to Set them and Frances Barnet and I weighed a Hog for Daniel Moor that he said he had from john Henry the weight was 221 £ by Lieut Moors Stilyards

The Remainder of this week nothing Material I sledded some hay and got the wood for the fire and the 15th was moderate and the snow softened

16th & 17th sharp cold

18 & 19th I sleded a load of hay each day

20th 21st & 22d I brot a load of hay each day

23d I thrashed 13 Sheaves of Rie and some that was daminfied and had a bushell and 5 quarts and john went to Ensn Moors mill with it and a Wart for a meeting to jos Scoby to be held the 2d of Februy next

25th I brot home a load of hay which finished all except the stack on the East side the brook in the squar and it began to Snow in the afternoon

26th it stormd all night snow and sometimes hail and sometimes Rain among it and Snowd all day untill in the night it fell knee deep and I attended the adjournment of Mr Houstons case and mine at john Bells and Esqr Underwood did not come and Col Goffe adjourned the Court further untill the 5th day of April next at one of the clock afternoon then to meet at john Bells Capt Walkers my Surety for appearance then

27th we got a little wood

28th we got a load of wood and got 2 bushell and about 12 quarts of Indian Corn from Capt Barron to Exchange Rie for it and it began to snow and blow at and in the evening the wind at N : E : it fell about 10 inches or a foot deep by morning

29th The wind at N : W : High and very cold and the snow drifted much we only tended the Cattle and fire and tread the path to the wood with my snow shoes and I attempted to go to john Bells to Render town accts to the Accompter but went no farther than jona Curriers and got word there that no accompters came there the snow 3 feet deep

30th we got home the Quantity of 3 or 4 Load of Wood with deep wadeing and fategue

FEBRUARY FIRST

was a Moderate thawey day

2d I began to take the Invoice and to Number the persons in the middle Diestrict in Bedford and in the afternoon I attended a town meeting which was adjourned untill the 2d of next march at one of the clock afternoon

3d I took a side of sole leather and some horse hide to Samll Pattersons to make a pair of shoes for my wife and for susanna and I took some of the Invoice

4th I finished takeing the Invoice and Numbering the people and found that there is 125 Souls

5th It snowed all day and the night following moderatly

6th It snowed all day moderatly it fell about 7 inches at this falling

7th was an exceeding clear pleasant day and Moderate

8th it began to snow in the morning and snowed hard untill 10 or eleven of the Clock and then misted and fine Snow and continued so the Remainder of the day and all the night following and Thos Boies and I went to Capt Barrons and drawed out the Inventory for the General Court and went to Col Goffes and Swore to it and we Drawed out the Number of Inhabitants in Bedford for the Governor and Sealed them up and gave them to Col Goffe to Carrie down and we writ a letter to Mr Jaffrey informing him who is Constable in Bedford the Current year and the time he was ordered to pay the Province Rates and gave it to the Colonel allso to carrie down

9th It still continues to mist and thick Cloudy

10 & 11th I got wood

12th I went to Robt Morrials and Run almost Round his place and then Divided it between him and his son Hugh and writ a Deed from him to his son Hugh of 30 acres & 50 Rods of it

13th I went to beyond Deacon Smiths in my way to Scobys to assist him about his accts of Kelleys Estate and heard by john Bell that he was not at home and I turned and before I left Deacon Smiths he came to Macduffies but it was then so late that we could not do it this day

15th I Whet and fitted a Cross Cutt Saw for james Patterson and jonathan Currier and am to have her to Saw with to pay me and john and I cutt a log off 4 times with her between and the meadow

16th I went to joseph Scobeys and assisted him in overhuling the papers of his Adminr on Alexr Kellseys Estate and tarried there over night

17th I came home in the afternoon and Samll Patterson brot home a pair of shoes to my Wife and another pair for Susanna and I got 2 new links made for my Traces of my Iron and another shut by Daniell Moor

18th got home 3 load of wood

19h got home 3 load of Wood and john took the last of our Rie to Ensign Moors Mill and got it ground being 3 bushell

20th we broke to the Meadow and john got 2 bushell of Indian corn from joseph Scobey and got it ground at Ensn Moors Mill and half a bushell of Wheat of our own

22d I went to Lieut Caldwells to try to get some Molasses he consented to let me have 2 gallon for hay only and I promised him 3 or 4 hundred

23d I cutt some wood

24th I cutt some wood and jamey haul home 4 jags & john got 2 gallons of Molasses from Lieut Caldwell

25th I cutt some wood and john hauld home 4 jags and I went in the

evening to Pattersons on William Morows acct to have jamey settle a Debt he ows W^{m} but he was from home

26th I writ a letter to Wm Morrow pr my bror Sam^{ll} we got home 3 load of wood and james Patterson came and gave a note to Wm Morrow for 0-18-4 Lawful money

27th we got home 4 load of Wood and it began to be soft and in the evening it began to Rain and Raind all the night following and my Brors Samuell brot me a Quire of paper from john Pinkertons for which I sent a pistereen which paid it and 4^{s}/ old Tenor over which I gave to him for bringing it

28th it Rained a considerable the fore part of the day and it Thawed a considerable deal the wind at South and continued to thaw all night

29th the wind still at South and continues to thaw and rained a considerable deal and thawed all day and I with the other Selectmen attended at john Bells to Render our accts and jos Scobey john Wallace and I Examined on the year 1763 and jas Caldwell junr and james Vose Examined on the year 1764 and in part on the year 1765 and the Selectmen settled with john McLaughlin junr on his Constableship and he cleared the whole of his collections and he paid us 41-6-6 old Tenor and john Bell paid us 6/8 Lawfull of his collection which made 8 Dollars from Both

MARCH FIRST

Overhauld some accts

2^{d} I attended at john Bells untill past 3 o Clock afternoon on the town Counters and then attended a town meeting by adjournment and then came back to Bells and Drawed the March Meeting Wart and paying Mr Houston a johanna and Settling for more money he had Recd as Capt Nochars Rates for the year 1763 and McConoughys and Widow Nimocks and 7^{s}/ of james Voses Rates for the year 1766 and waiting on the counters untill between 9 and 10 o'Clock

3^{d} we Sawed the tree to peices before Arrowins and hauld it home

4th john went to Ensign Moors Mill and got 2 bushell of Corn from joseph Scobey & he got a bushell of it ground into Samp and I hauld one cut to Capt Goffes mill for slitwork of Red oak and another of White oak to make side for a long body for a Cart and I brot home half a stock of white pine boards that lay undivided from last spring and some Cherry boards

5th we went to the Meadow and hauld home a jag of hay

7th we brot home a jag of Hay and I attended at john Bells to Render accts to the town Counters which is the 3d day I have spent on that Business this year and Thomas English came to Swingle flax he swingled 16½ £

8th we went to the meadow and james Caldwell junr and I pitch off for Lieut Caldwell 400 of hay by our gues and they were to take care of it for him tomorrow morning and john and I brot away what drie hay was in the stake and some of the wet and came to the near side of the oak woods and left part of our load there and john set off for home with it and my near ox Died about ¾ of a mile from home in the Road he died in a

minuet after he fell down and I went across the north end of Stawbury hill up to Morrials when I left john with the team at the hither side of Scunck hill I perceived no symtoms of Death on the ox altho he had not seemed well all Winter and seemed to give more out today than I had known him before was the Reason of my leaveing part of the load by the way and Thos English swingled 16¾ £ of fax

9th he swingled 9 £ which finished what we have and we skind our near ox that died yesterday his hide weighed 52 £ we opend him his Gall was more than large and stinked exceedingly in his insides and I got an ox from Capt Barron to make mine on Trial

10th john with the oxen and horse brot home what hay was on the sled and what we left at the oak woods and I cutt and split some pine wood and I whet and sett Curriers Cross cutt saw and he Cut pine wood for me while I was doing it

11th was a considerable Rain and john got 2 bushell of Indian corn from joseph Scobey and got it Ground at Ensn Moors Mill and the boys and I stemd some Tobacca

12th a Clear pleasant morning and we had a lamb lambed last night and another today and I borrowed 2 iron Wedges from Lieut Moor

13th We had a Ewe lamb

14th last night we had a Ewe that brot a black lamb

15th & 16th we Reave some Steaves Cuts and pine wood

17th jonathan Currier helped me to cut pine wood

18th I got some Herbs at Pattersons and Thos McLaughlins for my wife who had been out of case and a quart and a jill of Rum from Robt Neasmiths wife for which I paid her 19/s old Tenor

19th john and I cut and Split pine wood this week has been Keen Cold throughout this day was a little more moderate

20th it began to snow before we went to bed last night and snowed all day untill in the Evening following when it cleard up moderate the snow fell about 3 or 4 inches deep

21st in the morning I set my Compass to find at what Degree the Sun Rise and found it Rise at South 82 Degrees East which is 3¼ Degrees more East than the Equinox and I carried home Lieut Moors iron wedges that I borrowed and went to Esqr Rands and Vendued Jonas Cuttings lott that I gave him in Bedford

22d we got home 4 load of pine wood to split and I fell an Oak tree above Curriers for staves

23d we got home 4 loads of pine wood more to Split

24th I sent john to joseph Scobeys and he got 2 bushell of Corn and a bushell of Rie from him and I split out the Stave bolts I had at home there was 800¼ of them

25th I went to Esqr Walkers according to my appointment with Lieut Stinson to finish a trad about my farm in Goffstown but he was off the mind of buying it and I lodged at Esqr Walkers over night

26th I came home and Hannah Barnett sent my wife by me a peice of Butter about half a pound

28th I with the other Selectmen men met at john Bells and Settled

Divers accts and Drawed divers orders Snowed this day and the night following ancle deep

30th was our Annual March meeting and I was chose Clerk and 2d Selectman

31st I and john went to the Raising of james Littles house

APRIL 1st

went see Col Goffe

2d I went to james Caldwells and made a Rough draught of his Will yesterday and today has been exceeding cold and very high wind

4th I Drawed out the Will I was on the 2d and conditioned for a deed being lodged with me from james Caldwell Senr to his son james and john got a bushell of Rie from Ensn Moor

5th The case between Mr Houston and me was Decided by Col Goffe and james Underwood Esqrs they granted aquashment for a plea given in this day notwithstanding the Examination of Evidences on the 3d of last Decebr and they owned the compt was fully proved in private conversation they would not alow Mr Houston any fees which I urged to have them do

6th I carried leather to Samll Patterson to get a pair of Shoes made the upper leather and heal and insole stuff I brot from David Moors which had lyon there since the fore part of last Summer and I framed a letter to joseph Steuart of Colrain

7th I Coppyed said letter in the morning and Wm Morrill and Robert forscyth and their wives came on a Visit to our house

8th they went away again in the afternoon

9th I made a pair of Duble pullies for a loom

11th I went to litchfield and I got 3 bushell of Indian corn from Wm Patterson on Crt and agreed with Esq Underwood for to get a quantity of Grain but not ascertain how much and I got an order from widow Caldwell from John Orr of Bedford for a dollar being what she owes me for Running lines Fall was a year

12th I went to Londonderry along with joseph Scobey to help to Examin over his and Thos McMasters papers Relating to their administration of Alexr Kelseys Estate but it was Training there so we did no business we lodged at Robt MacMurphys

13th we and Thos McMasters met in the morning at Docr Thorntos and the Docr assisted and was on the Affair all day untill 9 o Clock at night and I Lodged at the Docrs that night

14th I came home and came by Alexander Macmurphys to see them on the melancholy affair of their house being being burned the 9th Instant this day being the General Fast throughout the Province

15th Capt Barron and I laid out a highway from the town line by Ensn Moors up to Thos Murdoughs

16th I went to Mrs Godfreys and Pland the highways on the East and west sides of the River

18th was our March meeting by adjournment which I attended

19th john Gilmur mended two of the toes of my Dung fork and I attended a proprietors meeting of Dartmouth

20th I went to Litchfield and got 14 bushell of Rie from Esq Underwood and he sent his team with it up to Reads ferry and I brot home 2 bushell of it for to sow and the other 12 bushell I took up into Mr Alexanders house and Ensign Moors team is to take it to his mill tomorrow

21st was a training in Bedford and my bror Samll recd the Capts Comission and Daniel Moor the Lieuts and I pland the River and highways from Amoskieg falls to Piscataquog and the highways on each side for Mrs Godfrey about the ferry

22d I got a pound of shugar from Matthew Littles wife on Cr and john Gilmur shut a Link of my Treases and I brot home 4 bushell of Meal of the Rie that I got from Esqr Underwood the 20th Instant from Lieut Moors Mill

23d I filled 2 pair of Indentures for jenny Conns 2 childer the selectmen and her bound one to Richards MacAlester and the other to Robert Gilmur of Goffestown and I writ articles between sd jenney and Robert for the improvement of 12 sheeps of jeneys and charged a Dollar Robert is to pay 4/ and Richard 2/ and we Drawed the Warrant of surveyors of highway

25th I killed 4 partridges this morning and I sowed 2 bushell of spring Rie and about 19 Quarts of spring Wheat and I got 2 bushell of Rie from Hugh Orr of this town on his bror johns acct by an order from widow Caldwell of Litchfield And Capt Barron and I Recd the presceipt to call a meeting in conjunction with amherst to Elect a Representative for to meet at Portsmouth the 17th of May next and we drawed a Wart to the constable of Bedford to meet at the Barn of Lieut Daniell Moor of Bedford on the 11th of May next for that purpose

26th I brot home from Lieut Moors Mill 8 bushells of Rie meal being of the 12 bushell he brot from Reads ferry for me on the 21st Instant

27th I pd Mrs Clogston the last of the meal we Borrowed from her about a fortnight ago and I took home one of Capt Walkers baggs I borrowed last week and pattersons and Capt Goffes and both of Matthew Littles bags all borrowed at the same time

28th I sowed a bushell and a half and a quart of Rie in the south end of the old field before the house yesterday and today I fitted some stuff for a loom and I cated 2 pickeral at the pond being the first I catched this year

29th I worked at fitting the loom Stuff some

30th I fitted some more Stuff to the Loom

MAY SECOND

I sent john to Mr James Caldwells and he got 12 quarts of Barly and half a bushell of Flaxseed on Cr and I sowed the barly and went to Litchfield to run Lines for Esqr Underwood and john Quig

3d I run lines for them and my wife got about 6 Quarts of Barly and 6 Pounds of pork from Hannah Barnet

4th I pland my work and Returned home

5th I sowed some peas and I went to Lieut Caldwells and I got 3 bushell of potatoes from him and Mrs Scobey gave me 10½ £ of clear pork a

present it began to Rain between Sundown and Dark and Rained moderatly all night

6th was a Considerable Moderate Rain

7th I went in the forenoon to Robt Morrials about our web and in the afternoon I went to Lieut Reads and got 8 bushell of Corn that Daniel Quig brot there for me 6 bushell of it was from Esqr Underwood and 2 of it from his father and I brot it to the bank of the River with Lieut Reads horse and I put 4 bushell of it into Mr Alexanders and the other 4 I took to Lieut Caldwells mill and got it ground and home that night

9th I went to see Capt Karr about the money I owe him he sent word by Wm Macdugall

10th the towns of Bedford and Amherst met at Lieut Daniel Moors Barn and Chose Col Goffe to Represent them in the General Court the Colonel had 51 Votes and Capt Barron had 21

12th I went to Londonderry with joseph Scobey to help to settle his administration of Alexr Kellseys estate with the Heirs

13th was on the business of Samuell Livermore Matthew Thornton and Stephen Holand Esqrs but I could not consent to the settlement for they made him pay 2/6 pr £ compound Intrest for the personal Estate from about 9 months after administration to this day allso the same Rate of Intrest on the advance of the sale

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MAY 13th 1768 BEING PART OF SAID DAY

Sale of part of the personal Estate londged at Doctr Thorntons

14th Mr Scobey and I came home about one or two a Clock in the afternoon and after I came home I drawed an acct for David Rowell against Anne Longfellow and a plea to be given in at a justices Court next Monday before Andr MacMillan Esqr and our big heifer Calved a Bull calf

16th Capt Barron and I recd 1–5–6 La: Mo: from john Bell on his constableship and I recd 6/10 prinsaple and 6 months Intrest from Capt Goffe of the Tax money and I got 3 bushell of pottoes from joseph Scobey

17th I pd the money to Thos Warren that I got from Bell and Goffe I made it up 1–12–8 L: M: and took his Rect the money I recd from Goffe was a Dollar and a pistereen and I gave him no change

18th I brot the 4 bushell of Indian corn that I left at Alexanders on the 7th Instant to Lieut Caldwells and got it Ground and home

19th I finished plowing for planting in the Forenoon and I got 9 quarts of Seed Corn from Capt Goffes wife and a few string Beans that I got 3 bushell of potatoes from joseph Scobeys and few String Beans from Lieut Caldwells wife and near 3 Quarts of white beans from Lieut Daniell Moor

20th I sowed about ¾ of a bushell of flaxseed and I hung a Net and went to the falls and fished about an hour and catched nothing but Ebenr Hacket gave me 3 shad

21st I got 7 quarts of seed corn more from Capt Goffes wife which makes half a bushell in all from her and my bror Samll found me about 2 Gallon of Tar and I pitched my Cannoe with it and my boys planted corn

22d it was a fine Refreshing Rain it has been a Dry time the week past has been very warm in the Evening the wind blowed up at N : E :

23d the wind at N : E : and the cool air we finished planting Corn and I went to the falls to see how the fish Run and I borrowed 3 shad from Ebenr Hacket the night following a great white frost

25th I set out to fish at Amoskieg Falls in the morning Catched 40 shad 30 of which I sent home and 10 I sold to Capt Alld for for 30/ old Tenor

26th I got but one Shad and fished a good deal

27th I cated 28 and I borrowed 3 of Samll Richards 10 of which I sold to Capt Alld and 21 I sent home

28th I got 3 shad one of which I got home and one I lost the other I dont remember what I did with it and Hackett paid me 30/ old Tenor being what was comeing from him to me on the settlement at the end of fish time in the year 1767 that we made of makeing our fishing place between the Pulpit and the Point

29th Sabath day was at home

30th I went to Derry with Francis Barnet to Mr Livermores about Ervings case and his and john got 25 Shad 5 of which he gave the suttlers and 20 he sent home by my brors boys and two of which they lost off and 18 came home

31st there was 14½ shad 10 of which I sent home 4½ I let Hackett have 3 of which I borrowed from him before I went to the falls to fish

JUNE FIRST

I got 75 Shad 60 of which I sent home by my jamey and 10 I keept over night 5 I let the suttlers have 4 of which I have credit for

2d I got 38 I sent home 30 of them and the 10 that I keept over night and the 8 I keept over night

3d I got 22 3 of which I let the Suttlers have and have credit for 2 and 27 I sent home with the 8 that I keeped over night

4th I went and showed Lieut William Stinston my farm between and New boston and bargained 150 acres being Nos 7 8 & 9 in the 2d Rang for 210 Dollars and am to meet at Capt Karrs to give him a Deed on Monday next

6th I killed a Calf that weighed about 44 pounds I sent a quarter to Esqr Rand that weighed 11½ and a peice to Capt Barron gratis and another peice to Hannah Barnett gratis and she sent us 12 £ of clear pork and I writ 2 deeds one for Samuell Tirrell and another for David McCleary Tirrells unpd McClearys to be settled by Weaveing and I went to Capt Karrs and there met Lieut Stinson and gave him a Deed of no 7 8 and 9 in the second Rang for 210 Dollars and he paid me 117 ⅓ of a Dollar in gold and silver and gave me a Note for 27-16-0 La: Mo: being the Remainder

7th I paid john Bell 6-9-2 old Tenor by the remainder of my order from the selectmen last year and a johanna and 1⅛ old Tenor made in the whole 55-0-6 old Tenor being the charges of my case with Mr Houston in his house and 17/4¼ Lawfull Money on Nathaniel Gearfields acct toward

the Servince and took his order on Gearfield for it and I pd Capt Barron 16/ La: Mo: which I owed to Nehemiah Rand of Charlston

8th I paid Hugh Campbell what I owed him being 1-3-0 and I pd him a Shilling lawfull over that he could not make his change to me and I got john Gillmor to mend Mr Russes wedges that we had at makeing our fishing between the pulpit and Sullivans point the charge besides the iron was 10/ old Tenor and I went to the falls toward night

9th I got 38 shad 22 of which I gave to Robt MacMurphy and the other 16 and 19 I borrowed from Hacket I sent home made 35 I sent home this day

10th I got 25 and I paid Hackett the 19 I borrowed from him yesterday and I borrowed 5 from Alexr McMurphy that I sent home 11 this day

11th I got 8 and I paid MacMurphy the 5 I borrowed from him yesterday and I gave him the other 3

13th fished at our new Setting place and got 6 and 14 alewives

14th I came home and brot home my Cannoe and brot home the fish I got yesterday all the shad I got home this year of johns and mine is 259 and 22 I sold and a few john sold about 8 or ten

15th I paid Lieut Andrew Bradford 12-10-6 Bay old Tenor being what I owed toward 10 bushell of Rie I had from john Clogston the prinsaple was 10-19-6 Bay old Tenor and I allowed him 1-11-0 bay old Tenor Intrest for it since the 29th of january 1766 and I went and Counted how many Staves Moses Clement culled out of the 560 that my boys took to the River for him last week and there was 27 of them that he got 500 and ¼ and 3 Staves

16th I pd Wm Patterson 2 Dollars for 3 bushell of Indian corn I had from him last spring and I sent to Derry by his boy for a gallon of Molasses and I pd Ovid Houston 8-15-9½ bay old Tenor being what I owed him and I had sundrie articles from him to the amount of 5 £ one shilling and 8 pence Bay old Tenor and I paid him the money and took his Rect in full and I got ½ £ of Tea from William Gordon for which I pd half a Dollar I crost the River at Capt Fletchers and I had my horse keeped at Capt Grealys and I went over the River to Mr Harods and lodged there over night

17th I got 2 bushell of Corn from Wm Patterson and what was over the 3 bushell I had before the 2 Dollars I gave him yesterday paid it and I got the 2 bushell ground at Col Goffes mill and I paid Esqr Underwood a johanna toward the Grain I had from this spring and another johanna to him towards Thos Warrens note toward building the pulpit in Bedford meeting house

18th I paid Mr Fiske of Hollis 3-10-0 Bay old Tenor for his Taning and Currieing an ox hide and my old Mares skin they were both a great deal damaged before I took them to him which was spring was a 2 year and he took an ox hide that I dyed last March and 2 two year old heifers skin and a year old Steers skin and a Calf skins of mine with him to Tan for me

19th I went to Capt Karrs and heard Mr Miller preach and Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

20th I lent Capt Karr 23⅔ Dollars and took his Note for the money on

demand And I went along with james Cowen and Run lines for him and widow Taylor for which Each of them is to pay me 2/ each La : Mo : and I run the line between William Arbuckle and John Allds for which they paid me 2/ L : M : and I lodged at Thos Cowens on the 21st and I straigted the line between james Cowen and his bror Thos and Thos is to pay me

21st after I had straigted the above lines I came home and james Cowen sent his boy and horse with me as far as the great brook between Lieut Caldwells and Thos Wallaces and I paid Nathll Gearfield 12s/ La : Mo : being the Remainder for his service in Mr Houstons case and mine last Decbr the other part I paid to john Bell on the 6th Instant and took his order on Gearfield for it which order he alowed in the bill this day on settlement

22d I went to Londonderry and I paid James Lyon 1 pound Lawfull money for my note prinsaple and Intrest and I paid Capt Wear 1-15-10 being what I owed his Wife before he married her and I gave their youngest child a Dollar and they gave my wife a Lawn handkirchief with a flowered border and I Got Lieut Browns note from Mr Livermores prentice (viz) Mr Prentice and I lodged at Robt Macmurphys

23d I got some Cabagg plants from james Miller and a parcel from Robt McMurphy and I got 2 Gallon of Molasses from Deacon Taggart for which I paid him 4/ Lawfull money and I got 9 qts of Rum from john Duncan came to 5-4-0 old Tenor and I could not pay him for want of makeing change and I got two pots mettle puding panns from john Pinkerton him and his wife from home and I left 6/8 Lawfull to pay for them and I left half a Ginea with Doctr Thorntons wife Sister for him to pay the charges of my two Rights in no 8 which was 2 Dollars and the Remainder to go toward what I owe him

24th I pd Matthew Little a Gallon and a half of Rum which I borrowed from him on the 26th of last Decbr and thereabout and I went to the falls and I catched one salmon of 13 £ and 7 shad and 9 eyls

25th I paid Fergus Kennedy 2 quarts of Rum that I borrowed from him last December or the beginning of january and in the afternoon Capt Barron and I staked out the Road from Matthew McDuffies to james Caldwells

27th I went and fished awhile at the setting place and got 2 shad and I gave them to Timy Johnson and I went and lodged at Esqr Walkers

28th I went to Lieut Stinsons and he paid me 79 £ old Tenor and 8 johannas equal to 64 Dollars and 2 Crowns and 2 Dollars and 2 quarters of a Dollar and 5 pistereens the whole amounted to 82 Dollars and 40/ Bay old Tenor and I took his note for 3 £ La : Mo : to be paid the 6th of june 1769 and I Got 4 Bushell of Rie at ½ a Dollar pr bushell and I Endorsed the 2 Dollars the price of it on the Note and I got the Rie ground at Eatons mill and I got 2 new shoes set on my horses fore feet at Capt Karrs and I am to pay them in Runing lines they were all his iron and nails

29th I paid Moses Vickery a johanna I owed him 7 Dollars and a pistereen and he is to Return me 4 pistereens as soon as he can change the johanna and I got 4 bushell of Indian Corn from Robt Alexander for which I paid him 8 pestereens and I got it ground at Lieut Caldwells mill

30th I Measured off 600 feet of Boards at my house to john Dinsmore which with 800 he had from William Bell of Goffstown on my acct paid

him what I owed him and 1-19-0 old Tenor over which he owes me now and I went to Lo: Derry and got 5 quarts of Rum from john Duncan and I paid him for it and 9 quarts I had from him the 23d Instant the whole came to 8-5-0 old Tenor and 3 shillings old Tenor for the 3d of a bole of Tody and I Recd the change of a Crown peice from john Pinkertons wife which I gave to pay 2 iron puding panns on the 23d Instant they 49/ old Tenor each

JULY FIRST

Went to john Bells and writ 3 advertisements for him for his Debtors to come and Settle with him spent the forenoon on the accts and Ann Wallace and Ann Scoby helpt my wife to Qult and Thos McLaughlins Wife in the afternoon

2d Ann Wallace and Mr Arrowin helped my wife to quilt and Rachel Barron in the afternoon and I spent the day in makeing a Draught of our greivances in Bedford and let jonas Cutting have a Dollar 3 pistereens I owed him since fish time was a year and the other two he owes me

4th I settled accts with David Moor for all the work he has done for me since he set up in Bedford and he fell 1-13-3 Bay old Tenor in my Debt and john Gilmor drawed two beals for iron puding pann a little longer and I paid john Wallace 2 pistereens for a Gallon of Molasses I had from him about the 17th or 18th of February last and I got a Calf skin from Capt Barron that he tanned and Curried for me

5th I writ a Deed from Capt Barron To Thos Murdough of 3 meadow lotts in the ash swamp and I with Capt Barron to john Bells and Settled with him on his Constableship and he cleared all off being 27-4-1 Lawfull money and Capt Barron took the money

6th finished a pail for our selves and I went and left word at james Voses with his Wife for him to come to my house tomorrow morning

7th I and james Vose went to Capt Barrons and I paid them 6-3-8 Lawfull Money toward what I owe the town and we drawed a Wart for a town meeting to be held the 25th Instant

8th I went and hauld home a stick for an axle tree for a Cart and the Remainder of the day I workt at a pail

9th I finished the pail I made it Setwork and I set up a washing tubb in the hoops and I went to joseph Scobeys and I got 28 £ of Pork at half a pistereen pr pound came to 6-6-0 Bay old Tenor and I did not pay for it for he could not change a johanna I had or I shoud

11th Joseh Kennedy came in the morning to to make me a pair of Cart wheels

12th I bot a scyth from Alexr Willson of New boston for 5-15-0 old Tenor and I paid him 2 pound 12 shillings old Tenor of it and the Remainder I owe him

14th he finished Makeing My Wheels I workt with all the time he could not tell me how much I must pay him for makeing them but proposed to have me make him some planes for plain ceiling toward the makeing them and after finishing them I went up to james Pattersons frame and found where the East line of his land to know where to set his house

15th I workt some at fitting a new Axle tree for my Wheels and john got 353 Cabage plants from Samuell Vose

16th I finished makeing my Axle tree and I went to Samuell Pattersons to try to get him to make me a pair of Pumps

18th I carried Sole and upper leather to Samell Patterson and he began to make my pumps and I shaved 10 Rake handles for Matthew Little and I went in the afternoon to the Raising of james Pattersons house

19th I shaved some rake stails for Matthew Little and went to james Patterson house frame and hewed a poplar tree for a Cloath and yearn beam for our loom and my wife brot a pair of pumps from Samll Patterson that he made for me

20th I set out for Boston and lodged at Mrs Osgoods in Bilerica

21st got to boston about 11 o clock lodged at Mrs Cochranes Samuell Cochranes Widow

22d left Boston after Dinner and came to Mrs Osgoods and lodged there

23d I paid Col Stoddard 3-8-0 Lawfull Money on Zachariah Cuttings acct being of his Wages as a soldier in New Hampr about the year 1747 which I drawed for him by a power after he left this part of the countrey and I came home on this Journey I laid out for things bot for ourselves and Expences 35-4-8 Bay old Tenor

25th I attended a town Meeting in the afternoon and james Patterson & Thomas Maclaughlin catched 4 Salmon I had one that weighed 12¼ £ and the three that they had weighed about 30 £

26th & 27th I workt at Rakes for Matthew Little

28th We plowed up our Cow yard land and my boys and I catched a Salmon that we guesed to weigh 10 £ and I had it

29th I set out at break of Day and tryed with Thos Maclaughlin & Nathaniel Patterson for a Salmon but got none and went to Lieut Stinsons and got 2 bushell of Rie and 2 bushell of Indian corn on acct of his Note and came home about the middle of the afternoon and I and Bob with james Patterson catched 3 Salmon and I had 2 that weighed 17 £

30th I got one bushell of the Indian and the Rie I got home yesterday ground at Col Goffes Mill and the Rest of the day my jamey and I spent in fishing Salmon we catched 5 that weighed 55 and I got one of 10 £

AUGUST FIRST

We got 7 Salmon and I got 2 that weighed 17 £ I am 3 £ behind and Thos Maclaughlin is one pound behind james Patterson

2d I finished makeing 12 Rakes for Matthew Little he found the timber for the stails and heads and I found the bows and the teeth and made them & I settled Thos Warrens Note & I paid him 4-4-1 being the Remainder

3d I went to Derry and Chester and lodged at Major Tolfords

4th I paid Major Tolford 5-2-0 La: Mo: toward what I owe him and I paid William Tolford 4-16-7 La: Mo: toward what I owe him and I got 9½ quarts of Rum from john Duncans junrs Wife for which I paid her 5-12-0 old Tenor and yesterday Willm Morrows wife gave me a purse workt in holes with Creull and my wife got 2 Salmon that weighed 18 £ one

weighed 10 the other 8 £ the 10 £ one was tainted before she got it so that it would not keep by Salting

5th I began to fitt to rais the fore side of my barn

6th I paid james Willson 3-3-0 old Tenor to pay to his bror Alexr being the Remainder of the price of the Sythes I had from him the 12th of last July and I and the boys finished Raiseing the barn and got some Stones from the house to barn to underpinn the foots of the posts and bob and David and I spent all the afternoon a fishing we catched one at Pattersons brook and 12 at a haull at Cold brook and then Thos McLaughlin came to us and we got 3 more at Pattersons brook at 2 Draughts I got 11 £ to make me up what I was behind of our former catching and I got 48 £ in the Division more and 10 £ one over I was one pound behind which made me 9 £ ahead of Thos and 10 ahead of jamey

8th We fished from about half an hour after Midnight to morning and we got but one and we gave it to Matthew Little for the Stuff to make the Corks to our Nett and my boys and I underpinned the foots of the posts of the fore side of the barn and Naild on the boards Round the sides again

9th I uncovered part of the Roof of my barn on the back side and I went to Lieut Stinsons and got 2 bushell of Indian corn and 2 of Rie and got home at about 11 o Clock I suppose

10th john and I carted home 40 boards of them that the boys hauled to the river last faull that David Moor was to have taken down the River

11th I hauled up the Remainder that was left of them there was 23 or 24 boards lost of what was hauled to the River last faull and john took the 4 bushell of Grain to Lieut Moors mill that I brot from Lieut Stinsons on the 9th and got the Rie ground

12th Samuell Patterson brot home the indian meal from Lieut Moors Mill and he began to make some Mogosenes for my boys and john and I New boarded the back side of the barn

13th he finished makeing 3 pair one for john james and bob and we new battened the fore side of the barn and finished Reaping our barley we had Stooks and Sheaves of it

14th I heard Mr Miller preach in Derryfield

15th we reaped the Rie above the barn all but a few sheaves with 2 Stooks and 2 Sheaves that was reaped on the 13th

16th we Reaped in the field by my brors and got but 35 sheaves I had 10 stooks & 7 Sheaves above the barn

17th I killed a Ewe very poor and We Reaped in the field by my brors We Reaped 49 Sheaves

18th was foul weather in the forenoon tho but a little in the afternoon we finished Reaping the field by my brors We had 8 Stooks and 8 Sheaves in it this year in the whole and we Reaped 13 Sheaves of Wheat above the barn

19th I Carted in the Rie that grew in the field by my brors and the Rie that grew above the Barn and reaped in the old Field before the house at the Winter Rie

20th we finished reaping the winter rie before the house there was 9

Stooks and 3 Sheaves of it I had 28½ stooks of Winter Rie this year and we reaped 8 Stooks of Spring Rie

22d We reaped our Spring Wheat there was 4½ Stooks of it and in the afternoon we reaped 4 Stooks and 8 Sheaves of Spring Rie and Susanna went to Derry and got 9½ quarts of Rum from john Duncans Wife for which she paid 5 : 13 : 4 old Tenor

23d We Reaped 8½ Stooks of spring Rie

24th We Reaped a few Sheaves in the morning and finished Reaping the spring Rie there is 23 Stooks and a Sheaf of Spring Rie and we Reaped 8½ stooks of Winter Wheat

25th We Reaped 3 Stooks and 11 Sheaves of Winter Wheat which finished We had 13½ Stooks of Winter Wheat I have 69½ Stooks of Wheat and Rie and 3 Stooks and 4 Sheaves of Barley this year

26th james Patterson let me have his bror Samuells Horse and I went with him and my own to Lieut Stinsons and brot home 8 bushell of Indian corn from and I got my horse fore shoes steeled at the toes and Set by Daniel Mack at Capt Karrs and I did not pay for it

27th I killed a smal Weather and Willm Godfrey paid me 11 : 18 : 8 old Tenr for my takeing a plan of the River and highways about their ferry and down to Piscataquog River being in full and I paid it away to john Bell on his Brors joseph acct for his makeing shoes for me 6 or 7 year ago and I Mowed 4 Cocks in the Little meadow being the first this year

29th 30th & 31st We hayed at the Little Meadow

SEPTEMBER

1st 2d & 3d Worked at the Little Meadow all this week fair weather Excepet a Small shower on Wednesday a little after break of day

5th in the morning a great Frost it killd the Corn potatoes pumpkins &c and I killed 18 pidgeons at two Shots and we worked at the Meadow

6th a larger frost than yesterday lodged at Mr Caldwells last night and 3 nights last week

7th lodged at Mr Caldwells no frost we had in the afternoon appearance of Rain but cleared off about the middle of the afternoon quit clear

8th a pleasant fogey morning but it clouded up and the Due did not dry and clouded and Thundered and had a Smart shower about Noon and we came home and I killed three pidgeons

9th Cleared up at about 10 or 11 of the Clock and we went to the Meadow and turned hay and mowed a little

10th We finished mowing this morning and we Raked the lott in the N : W : corner of the squar it had 32 cocks on it and what was on the East side of the Brook in the Dispute lott there was 20 cocks of it & we got 2 qts of Rum from james Smith on Cr

12th Was a considerable Rain we went to the Meadow but could not do anything with the hay

13th James Vose and I Veiwed Wm Arrowins fences and the damage done in his corn and Potatoes and the boys and I put put up a Stack on the East side of the brook of 45 cocks and one north of the maple tree of

14th We Stacked the stack S : West of the maple tree of about 30 cocks in it and the Stack in the N : W : Corner of the Squar of 34 or 35 Cocks in it

15th Robert Burns helped me and we stacked McCleary lot of 36 cocks in it and the Dispute Lott with 31 cocks in it I had 244 cocks in the Little meadow this year and john paid for the 2 qts of Rum we had from james Smith for the 10th Instant

16th I let my boys play and I cut a Walnut stick on Francis Barnetts land

17th I got a Galon of Molasses on Cr from john Wallace

19th Mathw Little paid me 12s/ La : Mo : for makeing 12 Rakes for him this Summer and some change I overpaid him the 28th of last June and I went to Col Lutwyches and I paid him 12 £ old Tenor toward what he says I owe him and I got 4 £ of Hogs fat for greaseing Wool and 2 £ for frying from joseph Scobey and my wife got 4 £ for Greaseing Wool from him

20th our belled heifer took bull by Goffes bull and I made 3 new Ox bows

(Manifestly, two sheets of the Diary are here missing.)

OCTOBER 1768

13th we had Marey Riddell Susanna McAllester Nancey Little Rosse Boies Lisey Moor Betty Love Margret Wallace Ann Scobey Margaret Burns and Rachel Barron helping us to Break wool and Jean Bell and I got 2½ gallon of Rum from Richard McAllesters wife on Credit

14th I went to the Little meadow and gathered some Indian Hemp and I lent my bror Samll 15 Score of Barrel Staves

15th I writ a letter to Govr Benning Wentworth Esqr concerning the Meadow lott no 70 and went to Col Goffes for him to carrie down next week

17th I got in the last of my corn and in the evening I lent my horse to Elizth Moor to go to her cosen Mary McKinneys wedding tomorrow to her fathers and Willm Godfrey spoke to me to come to their Vendue the 31st Instant

18th I began to hew loggs to do up the inside of our outside Cellar

19th 20th & 21st I got Timber to do up the inside Celar

22d I workt at the Bridge at Majr Goffes and I hewed 4 string peices for a New Bridge only Lieut Moor hewed 2 sides of the New String peices

23d was Mr Houstons Sacrament he had 11 heads of famelys (besides his Deacons) and two single men joyned with him

24th I had james Pattersons 2 pair of Oxen and Nathll Patterson a drawing the timber to do up our outside Celar and I got 12 sticks of Slit work that Majr Goffe sawed out of a Log of mine

25th we put in half of the loggs we hauled yesterday and in the Evening before it began to Rain and Rained all Night very hard

26th we finished puting in the logs of two sides and the uper end and I hewed Stuff for the door posts Cell and Cap

27th I hauled it home with my horse

28th I framed at the Door frame

29th I hewed more logs for doing up the lower end of the Cellar and Samll Patterson finished makeing a pair of Shoes for my jamey

31st I went to widow Godfreys and Run some lines and Vendued some land of their Estate and lodged there over night

NOVEMBER FIRST

was on the same business and got home about dark and I drawed a deed of part of the land they sold to Mr Samll Blodget and took a plan off of some lotts in Goffestown for him in the evening and Mrs Mathies went away home from work at our house

2d & 3d I workt at getting timber for the Cellar

4th Capt Barron gave us a barrel of Cydar and I had Matthew Littles oxen and I hauled a Ridge pole to the Cellar and a few other sticks

5th I workt at the Cellar and james Caldwell Senr gave me a heifer Calf and I brot it home in the Evening and john went to mill with 4 bushell of Indian corn of our own Raising and got 2 of it ground the other 2 he left at the mill

6th Mr Houston was in Hailstown

7th & 8th and half of the 9th I workt at the Cellar and about noon on the 9th I was taken with the augue in my flesh and I went to bed very much out of Case and john Helped Wm Barnet

10th Was a snowey day and Wm Barnet and Wm Arrowin and my boys Butchered my Ox he weighed 442 £ of beaf and 72 pound of hide still continued unable to get up

11th 12th 13th 14th still confined to bed

15th Martha Burns finished Spining she was here 5 weeks

16th she went a Visiting up the River

17th she went home and Susanna went to Derry and brot 2 qts of Rum from Duncans and pd a pistereen for it

18th & 19th still unable to do any work but not confined to bed the disorder settled in my left leg and john got 2 bushell of Indian corn ground at Lieut Moors

20th the night before it snowed about 2 inches deep and this day it hailed and Rained by turns all day and the wind high at North and from that to East untill we went to bed

21st still cloudy and Snowed a little in the morning and continued to snow moderately all day and Wm Barnett brot me an iron Squar from Ovid Houston I am indebted for it to Ovid

22d It cleared away pleasant the snow is about 4 inches deep the bottom is solid and the top light

23d I hewed 7 Sticks for the Roof of the Clar being the first work I have done since the 9th Instant when I was taken out of case

24th WAS THE GENERAL THANKSGIVEING THROUGH THE PROVINCE

25th a moderate day and I borrowed 16 Spools from Wm Barnetts wife

26th Wm Barnett helped me butcher my hogs and jonathan Currier

helped till we had Scalded them and Scraped and jonas Cutting helped me likewise my hogs weighed 440 £ the barrow weighed 161 and one of the Sows weighed 140 £ and the other weighed 139 and I writ 4 advertisements for jonas for the sale of the lott I gave him in Bedford & Wm Barnett pd me the beaf he borrowed the 6th of Octr

27th When we got up in the morning the snow had fell 7 inches deep last night

28th the boys and I put the Hewed Stuff on the Roof of our out Cellar and throwed on the sand on the Roof

29th We fixed up two hewed posts under the Ridge pole aud I got a bushell of salt from john Wallace on Cr

30th I cut up our pork and my Wife Salted a barrel full of it in the out Cellar and john got a bushell of Indian corn and a bushell of Rie ground at Lieut Daniel Moors mill

DECEMBER FIRST

I workt some at fitting up my slay and geting wood

2d at the same business

3d I went to the Meadow with my horse Slay and brot home 3 or 4 hundred of hay out of the Stack in the Dispute lott and was a Clear day a Warm Sun but a Cold Air

4th it Snowed in the morning hard a little while and then left off and in the afternoon it began to Rain and Rained in the Evening and Night following Extremely hard and before Morning the wind chopt to the N: W: and blowed hard the Rain took the most of the snow off

5th My wife was much out of case with the augue in her head by her drawing a quantity of fish out of a barrell one day last week and I got a qt of Rum from Mary Riddell for which I pd her 5s/ in Silver and we got up our Turnips and cut the toops & all put in the Cellar before we went to bed

6th I workt some at the porch of the New frame Cellar and toward Evening I went to Matthew Littles and I writ a Deed from Hugh Riddell to George Hadley of three lotts of land in Misteik farm in Goffestown and Waited to hear the award in Samll Richards case with jas Vose about Voses ox and got home about 4 o clock in the morning

7th john Went Mill and got 2 bushell of Rie and a bushell of Indian corn ground it snowed in the morning and then left of and began again in the afternoon and Snowed very hard out of the N: E: untill some time in the night it fell 5 inches deep

8th I mended my horse collar and john Gillmor mended the steeples of my Hems and made a new link for them and cut and Shut it again and I did not pay it

9th I went to the Meadow in the afternoon with my horse Slay and brot home two or three hundred of hay it was almost all wet

12th I went to the meadow early in the morning & brot home a jag of hay and in the afternoon to Capt Barrons and spent the Rest of the day and Evening prepareing to make the Rates

13th before day I was taken with a trembling and was seized with a pain in my Right breast & in smart pain

14th Sent to john Wallace to come and blood me but he had no launce

15th We sent to Lieut Daniel Moor to come and blood me and Wm Caldwell was at our house in the Evening and bled me in my Right Arm

16th Lieut Daniell Moor came and bled me in my left arm and Doctr Fudger came to see me and advised to a posset drink turned with Vinegar with a teaspoonful of salt petre Disolved in it to make me sweat Since I have been sick I got two quarts of Rum and two quarts of Molasses of Mary Riddell and gave her a pistereen

17th Wm Caldwell came and bled me in my Right arm

18th Lieut Daniel Moor and his Wife came to see me and he bled me in the feet

19th Wm Caldwell came and bled me in my left arm and I got two quarts of Rum from Mary Riddell

20th I sit up some today

21st was able to sit up but very inwardly weak

22d and the night following there fell a Snow of 10 inches or a foot Deep the wind at North and high

23d the wind high and the snow drifted and very cold john cut wood

24th cloudy but considerable moderate and john went to Lieut D Moors mill with two bushell of corn and before he went to mill he hauled home what wood he cutt yesterday

26th the boys got wood

27th The boys got wood in these two days I Recorded the lists of Rates and Warts

28th was a thawey day and Rained a considerable deal in the afternoon

29th I sent to Capt Barron and james Vose to come and Sign the list and Warts Capt Barron came and Signed and Vose was not at home it still continued to thaw and in the Evening the wind blowed from the S W: and Rained a great deal that by morning the snow was cheifly gone

31st I went as far as Pattersons the first I have been abroad since I was sick

JANUARY 1769

1st was Sabath day

2d john winowed up 3 bushell of Rie & went to Lieut D Moors mill and got it ground and I went out as far as David Moors shop

3d john finished a board Chimney in our outside Cellar and I got some Walnut bark the back side of james Littles field on Francis Barnetts land

5th a pleasant moderate morning about ten the wind checkt about to N: W: and blowed hard and james Vose came to my house and Signed the lists of Rates and Warts

6th I sold my steer of a year old past which suckt to Wm Boies of Newboston for two Dollars and he gave me a 12 £ bill of Crown point money which I scrupld to take but he promised if it would not pass he would make it good to me and I went to Deacon Gillmors and writ a Deed from him of his home place and the 50 Acre lott he had of Majr White to his

son james and Another Deed of his Meadow lott in the great Meadow to his two Daughters and I would not take any pay for it

7th I attended the funeral of Deacon Littles son joseph who Departed this life about 11 of the clock at night of the 5th Instant

8th Sabath day

9th I went to john Gillmoors Shop and he mended the button end of the crank of my wifes wheel and made part of a New horse shoe for me and john went to Mary Riddels and got 9 quarts of Molasses and he gave here a 12 £ bill and a pistereen and got a Dollar in change

10th I went to john Gillmoors Shop and he made the Shoe and fitted the Rest and Made the nails and he came to my house and Set the four shoes the iron that made the shoes and nails was mine and the Steel that he put into the New Shoe was his and john got 5 quarts of Molasses from Mary Riddell and gave her no money

11th was a moderate day and cloudy it misted the most of the day and near night it began to Rain and continued to Rain exceeding hard till I suppose Midnight

12th a fair pleasant morning like the spring and moderate and I went to the Spruce swamp and got some spruce and brot home and I came by james Mathies and lookt on his place on acct of our talk of swaping it to my farm in Goffestown

13th I went and got a Stick for the sole peices for a Slea at the top of the long Slanting hill

14th I hewed the sole peices of my Slea

16th I writ a Deed from Mathw Little to john Aiken of no 14 in the 7th Rang for it little gave me a pistereen and I went to Litchfield and I lodged at Wm Pattersons

17th Wm Patterson informed me the night before that he had bought 20 bushell of Corn from john Parker and paid it with his own Money at 19s/ pr bushell Silver money for me and I brot away 4 bushell of it and got it ground at Col Goffes mill

18th I went and Run lines for Capt Barron and Thomas Murdough Round part of Murdoughs place between him and john Aiken and between him and some of Capt Barrons meadow lotts and did some Writings between them and they agreed to pay me equaly and john went to the meadow and brot home some hay out of the burnt lott it was froze all into Cakes by Reason of the Rains after the Stack was broke

19th this day I was to have gone to Lieut Barns of Merrymac to Run lines but was unable to do it

20th was a Cloudy day and john brot home a jag of hay and I went to Lieut Moors and got near 4 bushel of Rie ground

21st I brot home a jag of hay

23d I brot home 2 jags of hay

24th I brot home one and john Gillmoor made 2 new Staples for my horses hems of my iron

25th I brot home one and in the afternoon john broke one of the sole peices of my Slea

26th 27th & 28th I worked at makeing our slea these 2 last days was very warm and pleasant

30th I finished makeing the Slea in the Evening

31st I began to frame at our Loom but was hindered a good deal with company & john brot home a jag of hay with the new Slea

FEBRUARY

1st a Cloudy morning and began to Snow about the middle of the day and snowed that by next morning the snow was about 10 inches Deep and I brot home the last of the stack in the burnt lott the wind N: N: E :

2d continued cloudy all day and the wind in the same quarter and Mr Amos Fisk of Hollis brot me the Veal skin that he took away last june With several others to tann for me and I Sent an Ox hide that weighed 72 and a cow hide that weighed 52 pound with him on his Slea

3d I brot a jag of hay out of the stack on the East side of the brook in the Squar being the first of the Stack

4th brot another jag of hay

6 & 7th Very windy and Exceeding cold I worked at the loom and on the 6th john Gillmor new laid two Turning hooks for john

8th keen cold but not so windy and I worked at the loom

9th I went and Measured a peice of meadow for David McCleary that he sold to Samll Gibson and writ the Deed

10th I Divided his Estate between him and his son David and I writ the Deed and came home that Evening these three last days john brot a jag of hay each day

11th I brot home a jag of hay and did a little to the loom

13th I went to Litchfield and got a side of Sole leather from Deacon Kenndell of Mr Fiske of Hollis of 10½ £ weight to be Settled with sd Fisk and I gave Esqr Underwood the 2¼ Dollars that john McLaughlin of Newboston gave me on the 17th of Janry last to give to him and I settled Abel Websters note with Esqr Underwood and he Recd 8/9 Lawful on my acct and I owe him yet 11/s Lawful yet for what grain I had from him Last spring and I got 8 bushell of the corn from john Parker that Wm Patterson bot for me

14th james Gillmor brot a load of hay for me on his fathers acct and I brot a jag with my horse

15 & 16th I measured Hugh McColleys land out of Mr Godfreys Estate for Mr John Darling administrator for which he paid me two Dollars and Run part of the 17th for him of what he sold to Thos Newman

17th I measured Mr Russes land for Capt Stark for which he gave me a Dollar and for the plan

18th I run lines for Capt Karr and john brot home 5 jags of hay with the horse in these 4 days

20th I went to Samll Pattersons to get him to come and make some shoes and it rained a considerable & I pd john Wallace 1-5-0 bay money toward the bushell I had of him

21st I went to Capt Karrs and took Capt Barrons brown mare with me to get shod she had a pair on her fore feet and I got them steeld on the

toes & heels and I found a pair of good shoes for her hind feet Ready steeled at the toes and had them steeled at the heel and all sett and I had a streek of my Cart Tyre Welded that was broke and 72 Cart Nails the nails weighed six pound and ten Ounces the whole of the Stuff was Karrs Except the shoes and I writ 2 Deeds for George Hadley and Eben^{r} Hacket of their places one to the other and two instruments one for each to Discharge each a Mortgage but hacket did not Deliver and they Difered the affair for a fortnigh and Hacket gave me a pistereen toward my pay and Hadley paid nothing

22^{d} james Vose came to my house and he and I went to Capt Barrons and then they and I came to my house We spent the Day in writing a letter to jos Scobey one to john Bell one to Mr Houston and two Advertisements and Examining Divers persons Rates who sayes they are over Rated and john cleaned up two bushell of Rie

23^{d} worked a little at the loom

24th I got a bushell of Salt from john Wallace on David McClearys acct and I paid William Barnett the half bushell of salt that I borrowed from him on the 6th of last October and Hannah Barnett gave me a present of about a pound of butter

25th I went to james Caldwells and filled 4 Deed blanks of W^{ms} one from james to his father and another from W^{m} to his bror james and 2 from their father

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AUGUST 1769

——— and the boys Reaped 7½ Stooks of Rie which finished the Rie I have 40½ Stooks in all and Lieut Dan^{ll} Moor gave me a Dollar to help me and Mr james Caldwell gave me 23/6 Bay old Tenor and I borrowed two Dollars from Mr Math^{w} Little and I paid the Justice the fine and his fees being 0–19–9 La: Mo: and Mr Houston his being 3/ La: Mo: and all the Rest I owe I gave Ramsey a note for his fees being 1–0–9 to be paid in three months with Intrest till paid And our black Cow took bull with Major Goffes Bull

12th I put the Tire on my cart wheels and the boys Reaped our barly we had 21 Sheaves and our spring wheat we had 16 sheaves of it and got all our Grain and flax in the barn Except what flax was water Roted and that they spread today

14th Lowery weather and very warm I workt at fitting my Cart

15th Was a very heavey Rain in the forenoon and in the afternoon john and I hauled home a cut of White pine clapboard length from the mouth of Pattersons brook and I got a fore bred for my cart body out of a Refuse plank from Majr Goffe

16th I finished my Cart and I got 2 Refuse boards from Major Goffe for the bottom and I sent john to Lieut Halls and Got 5 quarts of New England rum on Credit to be settled in what he owes me on his bror Thos acct

17th I turned a knot dish that holds about 2 quarts in the forenoon and in the afternoon john and I went to the meadow and began to mow in the burnt lott and came home that night

18th was hindered at home untill 9 or 10 o Clock and john had to go to john Gillmors to get the heel of his scyth sett out and he came at noon to the meadow and lodged at Scobeys and john at Caldwells

19th we finished the burnt lott in the morning and we mowed some in the squar and about the brik Ciln and the path the Bucks and we Raked up 23 cocks that was dry and 13 that was too green we Raked up all on the outside of the Chandlers fence

21st I butchered a Ewe that weighed 29¾ £ and my bror had one side it weighed 15 £ and went to the meadow at Dinner time and the boys went about 7 or 8 o Clock and lodged at Mr Caldwells

22d joseph Scobey and his boy Wm Houston and David Scobey came to the meadow about Sun riseing and helped me mow untill about 9 or 10 o Clock and Francis Barnet sent his man (viz) Reason Advice and to help me and he mowed for me all day and john and I mowed all day

23d Wm Caldwell mowed with me untill about 2 o Clock and john and I mowed allso and we finished mowing by that time of day and Wm Caldwell went home and Sent his boy (viz) David Briant to help me Rake hay

24th I had David Briant helping me and Wm Caldwell helped me in the afternoon to Cock hay

25th had David Briant helping me and we put up 4 stacks of 99 cocks and turned and cocked 27 cocks in McCleary lott

26th had David Briant part of the forenoon and he was taken out of case and went home and the boys and I finished stacking about 2 o Clock I have 208 cocks in all in the meadow this year there is 41 in the burnt lott 26 in the Dispute lott 33 in McCleary lott which are Stacked in Each lott there is 28 in the stack in the N : W : corner of the Squar and 20 in the Stack north of the Maple tree and 25 in that S : W : of the Maple tree and 35 in that on the East side of the Brook and I writ 2 notes from David Scobey to his father and took the acknowledgement of the Deed from his father to him and I borrowed a Glass Bottle full of Rum from William Caldwell yesterday and one of the boys and I have lodged at Mr Caldwells each night this week and one night two of the boys there has been no Rain since I began to get hay

27th Sabath day old Mr Currier informed us that he had seen a blazing Star the night before near the 7 Stars and the night following I see it about an hour below the 7 stars bearing something S : E : the blaze extended a little S : W : and appeared at about a yard and a half or 2 yards long the Colour of the blaze is Whitish the star small I imagine the light of the blaze Reached a considerable way longer and Spread wider and seemed to fork a little at the extreamity of the light

28th Samll Vose came to my house and he and I went to Capt Barrons and Consulted what defence to make against Abrham Merrills petition for a highway at the Sessions and we concluded for me to go down and Vose and I went to Col Goffes and got a Citation from him to Merrile to hear some affadavits taken at the Colonels next thursday afternoon noon at 2 o Clock and I came home and Thos Murdough was waiting on me and I drawed a Compt for him against Charles Black and a Wart thereon and

he gave me a Dollar and I gave him no change the Compt & Wart & Subpeanas came to 3/6 Lawfull

29th I went to widow Godfreys and Abrham Merrill and Notified him of Depositions to be taken at Col Goffes on thursday next and Spoke to Thos Newmans wife Ezekial Stevens and jos George as Evidences and came by Samll Voses but did not see him and came home toward Evening

30th I sowed on a pair of Soles on my pumps and in the afternoon I was sent for to Mary Riddells where I went and held a Court between Thos Murdough Complainant and Charles Black Respondant I adjourned the Court untill next Saterday at eight o Clock in the forenoon to my house

31st I went and Summoned joseph George & Ezekial Stevens james Gillmoor & Wm Moor to appear at Col Goffes this afternoon in Merrills case and Bedfords about the highway and in the afternoon I with the other 2 selectmen attended at Col Goffes and to Mrs Newmans wifes joseph Georges Ezekial Stevens james Gillmor Wm Moors and james Marrs Depositions to go to Court against Merril

SEPTEMBER FIRST

I went according appointment to Esqr Walkers to assist in arbitrating between john Hog and Robert Hog they settled their affair the Evening before themselves and Lieut Stinson came there to inform me who gave me half a Dollar for my trouble and he pd me a Dollar and a third which was the last of the price of the land he had from me last year in Bedford and I came home at Evening

2d Murdugh and Black appeared and I adjourned their case untill Monday the 18th Instant at eight of the clock in the morning to my house and William Arrowin is blacks surety for his appearance then and I fitted a plan of the River and highways about Merrils ferry to take to the sessions next week and went to Widow Godfreys to know about their mare to go to Portsmouth

4th My Wife and I set out for Portsmouth and I Recd a half jo from Capt Barron of the towns money to Defend against Merrils petition and I had 24-6-8 old Tenor of my own and I swore David Starrett in favr of Derryfield against Lieut Hall and we arrived at Mr Towlles in company with Col Goffe and lodged there that night

5th we arrived at Portsmouth about 2 o Clock and Sitt in the Sessions in the Afternoon and We lodged at Mr Nobles

6th I attend and sitt in the Sessions

7th Merrils petition came under consideration was dismist Mr Livermore was for Bedford against the petition and Pickerin and Sullivan was for it Mr john Darling gave two Dollars and I gave two more to Mr Livermore the Court would not alow costs me and I paid Col Goffe three Dollars toward the governors Meadow lott in the little meadow and took his Rect accordingly

8th It Rained in the morning and we lay by till about 10 o Clock and it abated and we got our horses and it began to Rain again and we sett out and the mare kickt up and throwed my wife backward and hurt her considerable and we turned back again and the Storm increased and

Rained and blowed hard the wind at N: E: it was a great Rain and a hard Storm

9th we sett out about 10 o Clock and Arrived at Towellses and lodged there being Saturday night

10th got home in the evening I had widow Godfreys mare down

11th I took Godfreys mare home

12th I went and see my hay at the little meadow

13th I went to Esq Lovewells at his Desire concerning some land in Hollis that was in the Law and lodged there the night following

14th Esqr Lovewell and Esquire Shepard and Esqr Blanchard and I went to Hollis and Viewed several Bounds and I went to Esqr Lovewells and lodged there

15th I got the Cloath from Mr Warner the Coathier that I sent there by my bror this summer there is 26 yds of it dresst cloath he charged me three shillings a yd Bay old Tenor came to 3–18–0 Bay old Tenor and Esqr Lovewell Engaged to pay him toward my Service for him and he gave me a Dollar toward my Expences to Portsm next week he Summoned me yesterday to go to Portsm next Monday to give Evidence at the Superiour Court concerning the land we were viewing yesterday in a Case wherein Mr Corwin and others appeallees and Mr Ball is appealant

16th the boys and I heapt and burned old logs on the land we were clearing

18th I dismist Murdoughs Case and Black and aquitted Black and set out for Portsm in company with Esqr shepard and lodged at Towlles

19th I arrived at Portsmouth about 2 o Clock afternoon

20th The Case came on and was tried that I was taken down an Evidence on and the case went against Curwin and gave my acct to Esqr Lovewell in the Evening

21st I tarried and heard the Tryal of Capt Cavernaugh for the death of Capt George Henderson the jury found man slaughter the tryal began at about ten and lasted till after dark the jury gave their Verdict before 9 the same Evening the same Day I Recd 3 dollars from Esqr Lovewell toward my journey to Court

22d I paid my Landress Noble what I was indebted to her husband of the last time I was there and my Expence this time being in the whole 7–6–8 new Hampr old Tenor and I came to Esqr Websters and lodged there

23d I came home about one o Clock I charged Esqr Lovewell 2–8–0 La: Mo: for my two days last week and 4 this week to Portsm and this week I found my horse and bore his and my own Expences and last week he bore my Expences & I have Recd 1–4–0 La: Mo: and he has promised to pay Mr Warner the Cloathier in Dunstable 3–18–0 Bay old Tenor as I mentioned before and the Remainder is due being 5–2–0 Bay old Tenor

25th I went to Lieut Daniel Moors to take his Invoice but he was not at home and I Veiwed Deacon Moors land to Estimate it for the Invoice

26th I went along with my bror Samll to Col Lutwychies being the time he adjourned Mr Houstons case and his and he judged my bror Guilty and he appealed and I was his Surity and I butchered a lamb that

weighed 29 £ and Lieut Moor came to my house and gave me his Invoice in the Evening

27 & 28th Capt Barron and I went to Samll Voses and with him we made the Rates and Vose took the list to the Constable and we just finished with day light and came home in the Evening

29th I went to Capt Willm Starkes pr desire of john Hogg to Arbitrate between him and his Coz Robert Hogg but Robt would not come and john promised to pay me a Dollar for my trouble and I tarried at Capt Starkes over night and he would take nothing for my Entertainment and I Recd 15s/ old Tenor from John Smith of Goffestown toward a Deed I got Recorded for him a good many years ago I came home and these 2 days I had my brors oxen near or about a day and a half helping to plow in the field before the house for to sow Rie on

OCTOBER FIRST

Mr Houston absent from Bedford

2d I drawed a Compt and Wart for old john McLaughlin against his son in Law Wm McDool charged 3/6 La : Mo : unpd and I borrowed 3–15–8 La : Mo : of the towns money from the selectmen which with what I owed the town before came to 9 La : Mo : and I pd Col Goffe 3–6–0 La : Mo : toward the Govr Meadow lott no 70 and I owe him 2 Dollars toward it yet for which I gave him a note on Demand and I got the Deed of it from him which had been lodged in his hands for me and Thos English cleared for me

3d I went with Thos English and Run Round the lott that he bot from john Barnett and I measured Round a peice of swamp he Cleared for Hugh Morrial and finished about sunset Morrial is to pay for measuring the swamp which cost about an hour and half

4th john McLaughlin and William Madole came to my house in the morning and I spent untill near noon with them on their Difference I writ Articles to submit their affair to arbitration and I gave john McLaughlin a Summons and in the afternoon I went to Mr Stevens in Goffes town to see a pair of Oxen but he was not at home and Betty McFarland came to see us

5th I bargained with Benj Stevens of Goffestown for a pair of Oxen for 26 Dollars and he is to bring them to me tomorrow and I writ a deed from Major Whites sons in law to james Gillmor of Merrymac of the meadow lott no one in the Great meadow in Bedford

6th Benj Stevens brot the oxen I bot from him yesterday and he and I went to Col Goffes and the price offset on the Execution I have on the Col and he alowed the price to Stevens on what Stevens owed him and james Gillmor quited his bargain of the meadow to Lieut Moor and I writ a deed to Lieut Moor of it and No 49 a meadow lott and they (viz) Major Whites sons in Law pd me 2 Shillings La : Mo : for the 2 deeds

7th we began to Gather a little of our corn and Repaired our tyup and in the afternoon I went to Thos Newmans to arbitrate along with Capt john Moor and David Sparrit between Capt Nathaniel Martain and Lieut Daniell Macneill about a lott of land but could not agree them

8th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

9th I went to Lieut Daniell Moors mill and I got no meal they were picking the mill I took 1¾ bushell of Indian corn of our own

10th I went to mill again and took 1½ bushell of Rie and got it and the corn I took yesterday Ground and lost my jack knif

11th I went to mill again and took 1½ bushell of Indian corn with me and allmost a bushell of Rie and got them ground and lookt for my knif but did not find it and on the 9th I cutt up the Indian hemp in the Little meadow

12th joseph Kennedy came about 9 or ten o Clock and I workt with him from that time till night at plane stocks

13th I workt at plane stocks along with and for joseph Kennedy untill about the middle of the afternoon and we finished a plow and a Rabit and a large O : G : and he got a back O : G : with a beed from one of my own which was New both Wood and Iron and we put what Apples we had in with my brors Samll to make Cydar we had what made a large Cake in the Chees the boys ground them and helpt build the Chees

14th we got a load of Wood and Diged potatoes the Remainder of the day

15th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

16th Was a small shower and then it thundered and Rained a considerable of a shower and the wind got into the N : W : and blowed very hard and exceeding Cold and in the Evening I Drawed a Compt and Wart from David MacNight against George Hogg for which he paid me 25/3 Bay old Tenor

17th I went to Samuell Pattersons to try to get him to come and make shoes for our boys but could not prevail and in the afternoon I found a Swarm of bees in a hemlock tree that the wind had blown down on the causeway east of Arrowins it is a young swarm and I cut the peice off that they were in

18th john and I went with the Oxen and we got a Crotched Stick and layed the loggs the bees were in on it and halled it home and Sett it up and we got in the last of our Corn

19th I went to Lieut Moors Mill and I got between 3 & 4 bushell of Corn Ground and I got my jacknif at Lieut Moors from sarah Riddle that I lost on the 10th Instant George Hogg found it

20th last evening and this morning lookt very much like snow and very cold in the forenoon it began to Rain and continued and the Night following was a considerable Rain

21st was an Exceeding Warm pleasant Day and we Diged potatoes

23d We finished Diging our potatoes I suppos we have 200 bushell and on last Saterday we took notice that there was none of our bees to be seen or heard and on Examining we found the Comb broke all down and the bees almost all Dead by what means it was broke down we know not but I conjecture somebody had broke the Comb down with a Stick to do me a Damage they had not above a pound of Honey

24th I went to james Caldwells and I Run a peice of the line between him and Thos Wallace and I writ a Lease from him to Andrew Beard of john Caldwell Mcneills place in Newboston for which I recd 3 peistereens

25th james Pattersons brot us ½ £ of Tea a pound of powder 2 £ Loaf Shugar a pair of Wool Cards and a paper of Ink Powder from Boston for which I sent 3–10–0 Bay old Tenor and I got a Quart of Rum from Mary Riddell on Credit and I swore james Cowan to five accts and writ the five severall Captions charged 5s/ La : Mo : unpaid

26th I went to Lieut Moors Mill and got above a bushell of corn ground and we took notice of a BLAZEING STAR in the west about an hour high at daylight down

27th I cutt wood and Bob brot the Cart and we got home two loads

28th the boys cut and carted home 3 load of wood and I workt at the bottom peice of a leath (?) for the loom

30th I finished the leath for a loom and I butchered a Ewe that weighed 43½ £ and Mr William Goffe came in the forenoon to make shoes at our house

31st I went to Londonderry to Robt Fairservice to Run lines for him and lodged there over night

NOVEMBER FIRST

I came home and I bot an Ivory Comb at jas MacGregores and pd a peistereen and a half for it and ½ an Oz snuff 3/ old Tenr for it and 4 Aull Blades 4/ O : T : and 1½ yd of Tommy at Pinkertons and paid 2 Pistereens a yd for it and 2 yds of Wire 2 shillings and Fairservice pd me a Dollar and a half for my service and Mr Heper came to make up Cloaths for us

2d I sowed 5 bushell and about a peck of Rie in the field before the house

3d john went to Lieut Moors Mill and got 3 bushell of Inidian Corn Ground

4th I gave Ebenzr Wood of Goffes town a Wart against Simeon Tuttle for a breach of the peace came to 3/3 Lawful unpaid and we took up our Turnips in the old Cow yard we had 15 basketfulls of them the basket holds a bushell and half

6th I went and Divided the 3d Division of Savages Right for Lieut john Moor and john Aiken unpaid and Mr Goffe and Mr Heper came back to work

7th I workd at a tub and lasts

8th nothing of bussiness

9th I went to john Pinkertons in Lo : Derry and bot 5½ Dozn of Duble polished Coat bottons and 2 Dozn of jackcoats do and 1 dozen of Alls and 9 Needles for which I pd 8–11–0 old Tenor and 4 of the alls Mr Goffe had

10th Mr Goffe finished makeing Shoes at this time he has made Nine pairs in all and soled a pair for me he made a pair for each of the family except my wife and Susey and I butchered one of our Sows that weighed 124 £

11th I worked some at the tub that I had begun

13th And Bob went to Lieut Moors mill with 3 bushell of corn and jamey and I work at the porch of the Cellar and john Thrashed Rie

14th Mr Hepper went this morning to Mr Caldwells and I writ a Deed from john Aiken to john and Habijah Savage and another from john Bar-

net to Thos English and I went to Mary Riddells and gave English his deed unpd and I took the acknowledgement of Aikens and he paid me 4 a. pisteeren peice of Silver for the Deed and Ackhowledgement and for half of the Dividing the 3d division no 15 on the 6th Instant

15th Mr Hepper Mended my Leather britches and finished for this time he came here the 1st Instant and has been here since exceept one day which is 12 working days and 1 Samuell Hazelton of Hollis came and paid me 5-7-8-1 La: Mo: on Lieut browns acct being what he owed me

16th I sent 10-13-0 Bay old Tenor by Mr Haselton to Mr Amos Fisk being what I owed him before and 1-17-0 Bay old Tenor toward the Tanning an ox hide that I put in last spring to him to tann and my Wife and Susey and john and I Went to joseph Scobeys to his Daughter Anns wedding which was a very large Company I suppos near 100 persons

17th I gave jonathan Blanchard an ——— pound four and ten pence Lawfull to be paid in Febry next which he paid me and intrest in janry 1766 on Ebenr Farleys acct and I went to Lieut Moors Mill and got 3 bushell of Rie ground

18th I went and hauld home a load of hay with my own Oxen from the Meadow out of the Stack on the East side of the brook bed the first I hauld this year

20th I hauld another load of hay and we Twitched home some wood in the afternoon and Rained considerable in the afternoon

21st it Rained allmost all day and last night throughout it has Rained agreat deal since it began yesterday and I finished makeing the Tub for dieing in

22d we all hands banked at our outside Cellar and did it off and and put two logs more on the sides of the porch

23d WAS THE GENERAL THANKSGIVEING and my wife went Litchfield to William Pattersons to pay him some money I owe him

24th my wife paid William Patterson 19 £ Bay old Tenor which I owed him for 20 bushell of corn that he bot for me of john Parker last year he would take no Intrest for the money and his pains and the boys got wood

25th my wife came home and john and jamey and I went to the Meadow and john went to Lieut Moors Mill and got 3 bushell of Rie ground and we cleared a new path into the Disput lott and we brot home a load of hay

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM NOVEMBER 25th 1769

27th it began to Snow a little after daylight and snowed all day it fell about 8 or 9 inches deep the wind at N: E:

28th A Very cold day and the wind at N: W: and the night following Extreemely cold

29th The sun shone very clear and warm but the night following very cold and I Hewed Slats and a Spier for a Sled

30th I went to Deacon Walkers to speak to him about his going to Portsmouth an Evidence for my bror and from there to Deacon Boies to speak for his horse for jamey Vose to ride on to Portsmouth an Evidence also

DECEMBER FIRST

I and john got a stick to Goffes mill to make Sled sides and I let Mr james Caldwell have a Coppy of the transcript of the highway by his house to send to the sessions to be presented and Writ a letter for him to Mr Livermore on the acct

2d I gave my bror 6 Dollars to help in his case with Mr Houston and went to Thos Boies and he lent my bror 4 which I brot to him and john went to Major Goffes Mill and brot away the Sled sides that he sawed out of the stick he took to the Mill yesterday being 2 pair

4th I was much out of case the latter part of the day and evening and john Taggart of Goffestown came and paid me a Dollar for the complaint and Warrant I drawed for him against Simeon Tuttle on the 4th of November last and there is 5 pence La: Mo: comeing to me yet on the acct of sd Compt & Wart and My bror set out for Portsmouth with his witnesses

5th I went to Mary Riddells and called a Court between John Maclaughlin and his son in law William McDole and Adjourned the Case at the Desire of john Maclaughlin to the second Tuesday of March Next after they left their affiars to Richard MacAllester and Thos Boies and Swore to abide their judgement and the arbitrators swore to do impartialy between them according to the light that appeared to them

6th I worked at the sled

7th Att the same Employ and at Evening my bror came home and informed us that his case with Mr Houston Quashed on accot of the judgement of the justice

8th I put my Sled together and went and brot a jag of hay

9th I brot the last of the stack on the East side of the brook and made up my load out of the Stack in the Dispute lott

11th I went to Merrymac to run lines for Jonathan Blanchard

12th It misted and we could not Run and I came home and I drawed a Writ against Ebenr Farley for my own Debt

13th I went and Run lines for Blanchard again and the wether was very cold and windy and we left off by the middle of the afternoon I charged him 2 Dollars and he paid me one and the other is alowed on the note I gave him last Novembr and the Remainder of the Note I am to pay to Thos McLaughlin

14th I had jonathan Blanchard sorrl mare and went to Hollis and got a Constable to serve my writ on Farley the constable was Samuell Cumings junr he alowed me the traviling fees and I paid him the service and came home in the Evening and john Gillmor sharped the Coarks of my Horses shoes and Set all four of them

15th & 16th I hauld a load of hay each day and john got 4 bushell of corn from Col Goffe and got 2 of it ground

18th I hauld a load of hay and then butchered a sow that weighed 130 pounds and john hauld another load in the afternoon and I went to Mary Riddells to john McLaughlins and William McDoels arbitration and swore them to their Accts and charged 3/ La: Mo: unpaid and got home at about 11 o Clock at night

19th I went to Widow Godfreys according to appointment and Arbitrated with Col Goffe and Ensn McCurdy between the guardians of Thos Halls Estate and Molly Martain and finished about two of the Clock in the morning Lieut Hall fell from the award and Capt Karr for Molly and Hall agreed to pay the costs between them which Karr paid the half for Molly but Hall paid none

20th I came home about 2 o Clock afternoon was a good deal out of Case

21st I brot 2 load of hay from the Meadow and Mr James Caldwell Gave me 14 Candles they were were smal in size

22d I brot home one load of hay which finished all but a Cock or two that I left for john Gordon I have my barn full of hay and sheep house and under the back scaffold in the floor

23d we got some wood and pine

25th I attended at Col Goffes on the case I sued Ebenr Farley but he did not appear and was Defaulted I Recovered 1–9–7–3 Damage & cost the cost was 13/11 and I writ a Deed of the place Patterson lives on to james Martin

26th Martin came and got the Deed and paid me for it and we butchered our two Barrows one weighed 158½ pounds and the other weighed 54½ pounds

27th I cut up our barrows and the boys cleaned up 3 bushell of Rie

28th I got a Gallon of Molasses from Gan Riddell on Credit and jamey got the 3 bushell of Rie that was cleaned up ground at Lieut Moors Mill and john and Bob got two loads of wood and we borrowed a peck of Salt from my bror Samll

29th I shaved some hooks and Set some on a barrel and a tub

30th I got two bushell of Indian corn from Col Goffe and had it ground at his Mill very windy and cold

31st Sabathday cold and wind the forepart of the day The year ends

JANUARY 1770

Monday begins the year the morning and forepart of the day very cold the after part more moderate the evening it began to Rain the wind at East and got from there to the South and thawed a good deal by morning and we got wood

2d The wind at South and thawed all day I mended the mouth of our Oven the boys cut wood at the Door

3d The boys cutt down the young pine on broken up Ground it froze the last night and is now very slipery

4th I worked some at a little tub and Cleared some with the boys above the broke up Ground

5th I attended the funeral of james Voses youngest Child who Died the 3d Instant very suddenly

6th I finished the Tub and writ some for Thos Murdough

8th Samll Vose Samll Moor Willm Moor Lieut John Moors sons james Gillmoor Ensn McLaughlin and Francis Barnetts man and Samll Goffe my bror Samll and I and my three boys cleared the Grave yard and burned the brush and Capt Barron sent john Vickery and jonas Cutting as we

had done and they stayed and mended up the fires and I went to james Caldwells and borrowed a Tea cup full of Tea and they gave me I suppose 1½ £ of Butter and a peice of Cod fish my wife was very much out of Case since Sabath day in the afternoon

9th I attended the funeral of Martha Taggart daughter of Patrick Taggart decd

10th I had john Gordon and james Mathies two sons Robert and Hugh helping me and I and the boys all cleared at the Little meadow we cut down the most of the stuff on the upland on the north side of the path as we go into the meadow on the East side

11th I went to joseph Farmers and Alexanders to try to buy some Corn but Farmers was all promised and Alexander wood not take 2 pistereens a bushell and I got none and came home by Lieut Caldwells and Moors and the boys thrashed at the Rie and did overings about the house

12th I cleaned up a little more than two bushell of Rie and got two bushel of it ground at Lieut Moors Mill and the boys thrashed some more and it began to Snow a little while before night and fell near 8 inches by next morning

13th I got about seven Jills of Rum from Samll Vose and 5 shillings Bay old Tenor toward what I paid for him at John McClenches when we went to Run the line between Bedford and Amherst 3 or 4 year ago and I borrowed 3 fulls of Mrs Voses thimble of heripeikery from her

15th I got 2 bushell of Indian Corn and 2 of Rie from Major Goffe and I paid him for the Corn and one bushell of the Rie and the other I owe him for

16th I got the Grain I had from Major Goffe ground at Lieut Moors Mill

17th We hauled out 3 oak logs and got some wood

18th Anna McFarland came to our house in the Evening john went for her and we got out 2 pine logs

19th Mr Fiske brot me a Side of sole leather that weighed 13 pound and I sent 4 Sheep skins and a Veal skin with him he is to take a Side of my Sole leather at his house and weigh it and we are to Settle the affair about it afterward

20th we hauled out two logs and brot home a load or two of Wood

22d I attended a town Meeting about Piscataquog bridge and before I went to the Meeting I cut the ankle of my left foot on the outside

23d my brors boys helpt me more than half the day to Draw logs we took 3 to the mill and I hewed a bunk and a Slat for my brors loging Sled it snowed about an inch today.

24th it fell 3 or 4 inches of Snow last Night and Snowed some all day and I finished makeing the Bunks and Slats for my brors sled

25th I Recorded the Wart and Votes of the meeting held the 22d Instant and I went to Mary Riddells in the evening to talk with her about takeing her examination of Bastardy but did not do it and I filled a blank deed for Gan Riddell to john Bell of Bells place and took the acknowledgement unpd

26 & 27th we cutt and hauled some logs and some Wood

29th I went to Goffestown at Lieut Littles desire to assist him in his

case against Sam^{ll} Richards before Esqr Blodget at the court held at Capt Karrs the court sit till about 8 o Clock at night and then the justice adjourned of his own motion till the 22d of next march and I came to Lieut Little and got a bushell of Flaxseed that James Vose spoke for me last faul

30th I worked at makeing a head for my Surveying Staves

31st was not able to do anything with my ancle it was so lame

FEBRUARY FIRST

was to have gone and took a plan of Daniel McNealls & Thos Russes Controversie pr order of the Inferiour Court (which order Capt Stark gave me at Capt Karrs on last Monday) but was not able to go and I sent john up to Godfreys in the morning to send word to the parties and chainmen not to wait on my comeing nor was not able to Stir to do any business today

2^{d} 3^{d} 4th 5th 6th lay by and could not move with my Ancle the boys got some wood

7th I helped to bring home 2 load of wood and hauled out 2 logs

8th was not able to do anything today I was so lame and Hannah McFarland went home she has been here 3 weeks lacking one day

9th It began to snow in the morning the wind (any that was) North easterly on the 5th I took the acknowledgements of 2 Deeds from Capt Allds on to Thos Murdough and the other to Sam^{ll} Moor Lieut John Moors son which Deeds I had writ some time ago Deeds and Acknowledgements unpaid

10th I sent john to Col Lutwyches With a letter concerning some money I owe him and a line to Lieut Caldwell and another to Capt Parkers Widow for money they owe me

12th I sent john to Caldwells to Receive 3 Dollars and to dun for some from Widow Taylor of Merrimac and carrrie it to Col Lutwyches I continued unable to travil my ancle is so lame the other boys cut some wood and got home 2 load he got but 2 Dollars from Caldwell and got none from Widow Taylor he waited at Col Lutwyches till toward bedtime but he was not come home and his mother would not Receive the money and he came to Gibsons in Litchfield and lodged there

13th john came home in the morning and gave me the two Dollars he got from Caldwell yesterday Thos Boies brot me a Dollar and a third from the Province Treasurer for my attendance at the Sessions in June & Septr last and I gave William Holms a Summons for William Barnett & jonathan Currier in his case with Arrowin charged 1 shilling unpd

14th a Rainey day the boys Thrashed

15th a thawy day and a most of the snow went off

16th the boys cleaned up 4 bushell of Rie and it began to Snow the wind at N : W : toward night and fell 3 or 4 inches deep

17th I sent john to Col Lutwyches to pay him some money but he was not come home and he got two bushell of Beans from Timothy Taylors Widow at 4/s Lawfull money pr bushell which pd for a day I Run lines for her husband the 18th of june 1764 and for the 3d of a day I run lines

for her on the 20th of june 1768 and he got 1½ bushell of the Rie ground he cleaned yesterday at Lieut Moors Mill and I gave William Arrowin a Summons in his case with William Holms

19th I gave David Moor a Summons in his case with John Liveingstone and he gave me a pistereen and it Rained hard a considerable part of the day and in the Evening the wind checked into the N : W : and blowed very hard all night and as soon as the wind turned it cleared imediatly

20th the wind extreamly high all day john & james fell pines on the land we have been a Clearing above the Cow yards and joshua Tolford and William Morrow came to See us

21st john & james & I cleared at the little meadow the afternoon we cleared on the Governor lott in the S : W : Corner

22d According to appointment with Capt Stark on Monday last I went to Mr Russes to take a plan of his and Lieut McNeals Controversie but did not do it by Reason that Capt Stark and Mr Russ agreed to leave the affair to Col joseph Frye and Col Samll Barr and Esqr Holand and I tarried at Mr Russes over night

23d I writ a power of Attorney for Mr Russ to his Son Simeon and took the acknowledgement and Swor him to an Acct for his son to Recover and charged him nothing and he charged me nothing for my Entertainment my horse was at Mrs Godfreys and I borrowed ½ a hundred of T : P : nails from Whitefield Gillmor and came home in the evening

24th it snowed so much that the whole on the Ground is a foot or upward

25th the wind very high all day

26th john took 3 logs to the Mill and Bob went to Lieut Moors Mill and got 1½ bushell of Rie ground

27th john took down 5 logs to the Mill and jamey and I cut one logg and some wood

28th my brors Samll helped us down with a large log and john took one for him and 3 for ourselves

MARCH

1st Capt Barron & Samll Vose and I met at Mr James Caldwells and Examined him and joseph Scobey on their Constable and Collectorship and gave Mr Houston an order for this years sallery being 45-2-6-2 Lawfull Money and Severall orders to Divers other persons and john took 7 logs to the Mill

2d john took 5 oaks which finished what oak logs we had cut being 27 oak logs in all at the Mill and he took one white pine and my brors Samuell took 2 other white pine to the mill and I fel two yelow pines for Masts by the graveyard

3d john got 2½ bushell of Indian Corn from Zecheriah Chandler and he paid him a Dollar and he went to Lieut Moors Mill and from there to Col Lutwyches and pd him 2 Dollars toward my Note and came and lodged at Lieut Moors

4th he came home and brot 1½ bushell With him

5th it began to Snow last Night and by this morning it was 9 inches

deep & I gave George Hogg a Wart against james Moor of Merrymac junior & took his Note for the pay of it

6th I went to Meins and got ¼ of Tea two pounds of shugar and ½ an ounce of Snuff and paid him 0–2–9–2 La : Mo : for them and the boys got wood

7th 8th & 9th the boys and I Cutt and drawed Pine Logs on the 8th I had Pattersons oxen to help to draw 2 logs

10th my wife went to William Morrows

12th my Wife came home

13th we took 3 logs to the mill

14th I had Pattersons oxen to help to draw 2 logs

15th what logs we took to the Mill today make 30 pine logs and james Moor junior of Merrymac came and Paid me for the compt and Wart that I gave George Hogg agt him on the 5th Instant which came to 0–3–7–2 and he gave me a Dollar and he is to get the change as soon as I can get the Dollar changed

16th I took 3 loggs to the mill and I settled with john Bell and our accts was so near that we throwed up and past Rects and I got 2½ bushell of corn from Zachariah Chandler on Credit

17th I took 3 logs to the Mill

19th I took 3 logs to the Mill and I had james Pattersons oxen helping me with 2 of them

20th I took one log to the Mill and 3 as far as Pattersons and I had Wards oxen to help and Thos Boies paid a fine of 5s/ La : Mo : for a breach of the Sabath on the 18th Instant in takeing William Caldwell a prisoner

21st I took 7 logs to Pattersons with my oxen and horse which makes 50 pine logs there is 40 at the mill and 10 at Pattersons in all I had 77 oak and pine this winter.

22d we hauled some bottom logs for fence alongside the road on this side holms bridge

23d I sold my shoes and writ a Deed from Capt Allds to Lieut Daniel Moor of part of the lott no 4 in the Great Meadow unpaid

24th my bror Samll & john his Oxen and I and my john and bob and our Oxen and horse Hauled of a Quantity of plank at Goffes Mill and we hauled in 7 Oak logs of mine and 6 of my brors on the ways

26th I went along with my bror to Gearfields when he went to his trial on Mr Houstons 3d complaint and Col Lutwyche would not try the Case we tarried over night Hugh Ramsey who was the officer would not return the Wart my bror offered his body for trial before Col Lutwyche twice but he would not try him they sent to Hollis and Amherst for a justice but could not get one

27th Ramsey put my bror under keepers about the middle of the day and he went to Amherst for Esqr Shepard and Returned near Sun Set without him and commanded new keepers over my bror to take him to Amherst by force which they did I lodged at Clenches and he at Capt Reads

28th we got before Squire Shepard in the forenoon and got the case continued till the 10th of April for Council and pleas then to meet at Lieut

Moors in Bedford at 10 o Clock forenoon and came to attend our annual meeting but they had chose the town officers and adjourned just before we got there I was chose Clerk and 2d selectman

29th I went to Mr Meins and Returned him the boukram I got of his at Esqr Hollands we used 1½ yd of it and I returned him about 3 yds and I paid him for 1½ yd that we had used and for ¼ of Tea and 2 £ of shugar and 2 Coppers worth of snuff I got now came in all to 40/s Bay old Tenor and I came to john Thomas and joseph gave me a bushell of Rie for my Runing lines for him last summer and another bushell for lines that he wants Run which I am to do for it and I came to joseph Scobeys and he let me have 2 bushell of corn on acct of what services I have done for him and I got the whole Ground at Lieut Moors Mill

30th Mr Hepper came here last monday and finished this day makeing jonas Cuttings cloath he has been here now 5 days and he was here 12 days last Novbr at 12s/ Bay old Tenor pr day comes to 10–4–0 Bay old Tenor in all which I owe him

31st we hauled in some logg (viz) 5 oaks and a White pine for plank and what plank were sawed to the River

APRIL 2

I attended our Annual meeting by adjournment

3d I went to joseph Scobeys by appointment of his and his Wife to try to bring about an Accommodation between him and his son and Spent the day on it

4th I went to james Voses and writ a Deed from him to josiah Wood of his land in Mistick farm & intend to give it to Vose and I took the acknowledgement for which he wood paid me a shilling La : Mo :

5th WAS THE PROVINCE FAST

6th I had the the shoes on my horses fore feet and one of them stelled at the toes at john Gillmors shop by john Jameson and in the afternoon and Evening Capt Barron and I met at Thos McLaughlins & drawed the Warts for the surveyors of highways exceept john Aiken

7th I Run the line for Richard Ward between a lot of Chandlers heirs and Mr Houston and was more than ½ the day I charged ½ a Dollar unpd

9th I went to Gearfields to take Depositions for him and Capt Kelley who was to be one of them did not come and Gearfield went after him and I tarried over night waiting for him

10th I came to Lieut Daniel Moors to the trial between Mr Houston and my bror Mr Houston Dropt that Wart and had a new Wart ready and they had a trial before Esqr Shepard and he gave Judgement agt my brother and he appealed

11th I went with john Dow of Atkinson to his sons Jobs in Goffes town to Divide off 80 acre out of the lott that Job lives on for Job but did not finish and I charged him a Dollar and he gave me 3 pistereens toward it and the other 2 he owes me

12th I took Capt Kelleys Deposition for Nathaniel Gearfield unpaid at my house and john Parker the adverse party came in about one fourth of an hour after Gearfield and Kelley went away and I had to give Parker a

Writing concerning my giveing Gearfield a Notification and what Gearfield told me of his Notifieing Parker And I went to Widow Godfreys to help to Divide the Estate of to the Widow and the heirs

13th On the same business and came home in the Evening and I charged 2 Dollars unpaid

14th I went along with Whitefield Gillmor to Run the lines of a lott of Col Goffes that he might see if he liked it to buy it but he did not and then I Run the line of a lott of Robert Neasmiths for him but he did not like that I charged a Dollar to be discounted on a Note of a Dollar and ½ that he has agt me

16th I went with Thos Murdough and Run the lines at the 2d Division he had from Col Goffe and drawed a plan of it I charged 5s/ Lawful money unpd

17th I planed the work that I did for john Dow on the 11th Instant and Sussanna brot me half a bushell of salt from Samll McFarland and jean McFarland came to our House to Spin

18th I went to jos Scobeys to Divide the Estate between him and his son and I writ a Deed from Robert Neasmith to Whitefield Gillmor I charged 2/ Lawful each to pay one shilling I lodged at Scobeys

19th I Run lines for Robert Neasmith the forenoon and I charged him 4s/ for the Deed yesterday and what I did for him today and I owed 2/7 ¼ and he paid me ½ ¾ in cash and the afternoon I assisted Scobey and his son I charged them 3/ La :

20th Lieut Daniel Moor had 1580 feet of White oak plank from me and Major Goffe let me have 130 feet more than he owed him which Goffe alowed me to have and Goffe had about 1000 feet of board that was sawed out of my loggs and feet of White oak plank and a stock of white pine Decking plank of my loggs and we are to settle afterward and jamey and I went with the oxen and horse and helped Lieut Moor down the bank with the plank

21st I sowed almost 2 bushell of Rie in the field before the house and spent an hour or two with old Mr Turrill looking over the proprs Records

23d William Kennedy came to our house to make shoes and I sent bob to Thos Murdoughs and got a bushell of spring Rie for me to sow

24th I Vendued john Gordons place and sold it to one Nathaniel Clark (of Londonderry a Weaver) for 32 : 9 : 0 Lawfull Money and Writ the deed and note and Clark paid me for the acknowledgement and Gordons is to be settled afterward

25th I borrowed a pistereen from john and half a pistereen from jamey and half a pistereen from bob and 2 coppers and I took 2 bushell of rie of my own to Lieut Moors mill and went to Robt Alexanders and he let me have 2 bushell of corn and would not take any pay for it on acct of being his freind on Turrills affair about land and I got a Dozn of fish hooks and an oz of Snuff and 10 oz of tobacca and a Quire of paper from Robt Meins for all which I paid him 17/ Bay old Tenor and I got 2 bushell of corn ground at the Mill

26th I Writ a Deed of john Moor juniors place to Robert Addams of Nottingham West and Addams paid me a shilling Lawful for the Note and

acknowledgement and I went to james Caldwells and took a peck of flaxseed with me and Sowed in his orchard for susey

27th jean McFarland went home after Dinner she has been here 9 working days including the day she came and the day she went away and I let her have a pair of shoes and I sowed almost 4 bushell of Rie

28th I went to Run lines for jamey Vose but he was from home and I did not run On the acct I was much out of Case and I sowed near half a bushell of rie which makes 6 bushell and almost a half I have sowed now

29th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

30th I took the Invoice of all west in my district except Gan Riddells

MAY FIRST

I Run lines for Samuell Turrill I charged 5/ Lawful unpaid & Hannah McFarland came to our house

2d I made 4 single pullys for to weave our fustine and Hannah McFarland and susey put it in the loom

3d Hannah McFarland went home in the morning and I went and Run lines about Samll Vose and james Voses for them to see to Rewnill them but could not I went at james Desire and I intend to give him my servic toward paying him for the trouble he has in being an Evidence for my bror in his Case and Mr Houstons

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MAY 3d 1770

4th I sowed about ¾ bushell of flaxseed above the Barn

5th I writ 2 Deeds one from Samll Turril to his son Samll and another from john Aiken to john Savage and others the last deed is paid for by Lieut John Moor by ½ a bushell of Rie on the 12th of last Apr and in the afternoon I went and got some oylnut bark on the Island

6th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

7th William Kennedy came to us to make Shoes he went home saterday night was sevennigh and has not been here since till today last night was a prety Rain

8th it Raind last niht and a while this morning I spent the day a fishing and I catched 19 chubs and 11 pickerill and a perch and the boys planted potatoes yesterday and today

9th I set out for Monson to Run lines for Mr james Gordon of Boston and took Thos Murdough with me according to Instructions and lodged at Mr john Burns in Monson and found Col john Tyng and Col Lovewell and Mr Tylor of Boston Esqr Shepard and Samll Cumings Junr and Divers others

10th a Rainey day and we could not do any Runing of lines and after we had waited till about the middle of the day we all unanimously agreed to adjourn till the 22d Instant to meet the night before att the place and I wrote Ovid a letter acquainting him of the agreement and desireing his attendance then and to get me word if he would have Come to come there then and I sent it by Col Lovewell and I lodged at Mr Burns this night also

11th I set out in the morning and went to Hollis and got the side of my

Sole leather from Mr Fisk and got Ensn Benj Parker to promis to pay Mr Fisk 25/ Bay old Tenor that he owes me and the other side of my leather that Fisk had in leiw of that I had from him last Winter weighed he says 13 £ and that I had from him weighed 13½ £

12th I went to Robt Alexanders and got 2 bushell of Rie from Meins and paid him 102-10-3 Bay old Tenor for it and 2 coppers worth of Snuff and ½ £ of Tobacca and 11 rows of pins and paid him 5/10 Bay old Tenor for them and brot the Rie to Lieut Caldwells Mill and got it ground and had the Toal to be settled for on acct of the hay he had from me Winter was a year

13th sabathday I went and met the Corps of Alexander Orrs wife at the little meadow

14th the boys and I layd up part of the log fence and james Cowen paid me 19/s Bay old Tenor towards what he owes me

15th we finished laying up the log fence a While before night I went to Col Goffes to a Meeting of the proprs of Dartmouth and got home I suppos afer midnight and I gave Capt Barron 2 bushell of potatoes

16th I had my brors 4 Oxen helping me to break up north west from the Barn

17th I had my brors 4 Oxen and Wards oxen helping me break up and we were hindered both yesterday afternoon and today with the plow giveing away and Richard Ward got 2 bushell of potatoes

18th I went and bot 2 bushells of Rie from Lieut john Moor and paid him 6/8 Lawful Money for it but could not take it away and Zachariah Chandler got 2 bushell of potatoes he got 2 bushell of potatoes a few days ago which makes four bushell in all

19th I had Thos McLaughlins oxen and my brors 4 oxen helping me to break up and we broke a peice of the point of the Colter and I set the boys to Harrowing and I went and got the 2 bushell of Rie from Lieut john Moor that I bot yesterday

21st I got the colter mended with john Gillmor and I began to new build my brors plow and the boys furrowed our old land

22d I finished the plow and I had my brors Oxen & Mr Wards the afternoon and we finished breaking up

23d we began to plant our corn and I had my brors Oxen and Thos McLaughlins harrow and we harrowed what we broke up yesterday

24th my brors john and jos helped me to plant & I went to Amoskieg and got 13 shad and 15 elwives at our new setting place and sent them home by my bror and lodged at Mr Russes at free Cost

25th I fished at our new Setting place and got 20 Shad and 64 elwives and john came up with the horse and took them home and I came home that Evening and the boys finished planting in the forenoon and my brors john helped my boys to finish planting & I Recd a Dollar from Ezekial Stevens on john Darlings acct

26th I went to the falls and got 2 shad and 13 elwives

28th I went to Robt Alexanders and got 4 bushell of Rie from him and paid him a Dollar of it and I owe him 2-15-0 Bay old Tenor for the rest of the price of it and I took it to Lieut Moors mill and got it Ground and I

had the toll of it from him for pay and I borrowed 43 threads of Twine from my bror Sam^{lls} Wife

29th William Kennedy came to our house again to make Shoes and the forenoon I knit a new bottom to the Net I had of john Clogston last Saterday and I went to the falls and Hung the net that I fited up today

30th I got 12 Shad and john came up in the afternoon and he got 4 or 5 and I went to Russes along with Capt Stark and Lieut McNeal about their Controversie and went home with Stark and lodged there

31st john got 11 Shad and I came to Samuel Voses pr his desire Signified by his Wife and assisted Col Goffe in takeing Deacon Walkers Deposition in perpetuam and got home at one or two of the Clock in the morning

JUNE FIRST

john fished at the new setting place and got 9 shad and I went up about the middle of the day and fished on the Island and got 5 Shad we have got 42 shad this Week and Susanna had Mr Wards Mare to take her as far as Col Todds in Londonderry on her way to Chester to See her freinds

2^{d} john Gillmoor Made a New Shoe of my brors Iron and Set it and moved the shoe on my horses fore feet and the afternoon Capt Barron Thos McLaughlin and I went about altering the Road between jas Caldwells and Deacon Smith across the hill instead of going where it was laid Around by Caldwells N: W: Corner

4th I went to the falls about 10 or 11 o Clock and got 20 shad one Ell and a Dozen Elwives and james Vose had my horse to Portsmouth he is an Evidence for my brors Case with Mr. Houston and I settled with Whitefield Gillmor on my Note and I owe him yet of prinsaple and Intrest 1-17-7 Hampshire old Tenor

5th I did no great of work I was very weary it Raind some and I took Capt Walker and my brors Invoice and I borrowed 54 threads of Twine from my brors wife that I owe her in all 97 threads with what I borrowed from her on the 28th of last may

6th Capt Barron and Thomas McLaughlin and I made the Bridge Rate at Thos McLaughlins and john fished at Amoskieg and got 3 Shad and he sent them to Hugh McCalley and he brot home 8 Ells of that he got in this nights fishing

7th I made a pair of heels for a pair of Cloath shoes for my wife and I made a last for Polly and another for jeaney

8th When we got up in the morning our belled Cow was Calved and had a heifer calf and about the middle of the day Deacon Walker came from Portsmouth who had been there as Evidence in the case between Mr Houston and my bror and brot us the agreeable news that my bror had beat Mr Houston on the Merrits of the Case and james Vose came home about Dusk with my horse from Portsmouth and I writ a Deed from Thos Karr to his son james and another Deed from Thos Kennedy and some of his bror or to Sam^{ll} Kennedy both unpaid This day was a considerable heavy Rain

9th I went to Mrs Godfreys and I got 3 hoes from W^{m} of Amos Pages that he left there to be sold at half a Dollar each and Wm Godfrey took

Ezekiel Stevens paymaster for them who owes me three Dollars on john Darlings acct and I went to the setting place and got 3 shad one of which I gave to Mr Godfrey and the other two I brot home

11th I Coppyed of the Remainder of the bridge list and Wart and took it to the Collector and went to joseph Scobeys and Run the lines of their Divisions so as to fitt for Drawing Quitclaim deed Between him and his son and tarried there all night

12th I writ the Deeds between them and they Signed them and I took the acknowledgements which took up the day till night and I came home by Lieut Daniell Moors I charged for my Service 9/ La: Mo: unpaid

13th I went to Litchfield and got 4 bushell of Rie from Samll Gibson on Credit and I brot it to Lieut Moors Mill and they Ground about half a bushell of it but it was so Damp that they shut down the mill and he promised to Sun it tomorrow I owe Reads folks for my ferriage going and comeing and I got 2 Coppers worth of Snuff from Meins and paid it

14th I hooped a pail and the boys Hoed at the corn

15th I went to the Falls and I catched 7 Shad and a 10 £ Salmon and I got 4 shad that john and I had lent Hugh McCalley and the boys Wed at the corn

16th I got a pig from joseph Scobey of some age for which he charged a Dollar

17th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford he was to preach for Mr Parsons of Newbury

18th My brors Samll and I fished at the new setting place and we got 7 shad and a Small Salmon and 18 Ellwives and Lieut Daniel Moor sent me 4 Dollars by his son toward the plank he had from me last spring and our Heifer Calved a bull Calf

19th I put a peice on the Stock of Esqr Underwoods Gun

20th I paid Hannah Murphy two Dollars for Mr Heppers letter toward what I owe him and Susanna came home from Chester and the afternoon I and the boys went to the Raising of Piscataquog bridge and I went to the falls a little before night and I catched 3 Shad an ellwive and an Ell at Evening there was six men throwed off the bridge and 3 of them very much hurt (viz) Wm Holms Wm Macdugall and joseph Moors

21st I writ a Deed from Capt Alld to Lieut Daniel Moor in the Room of one I writ some time ago which I had writ a Warrantee and had to writ a Quitclaim today and he pd me 2/ for it and a Deed I writ from him to Samll Moor and I took the acknowledgement for Lieut Moor to pay and I writ a deed from john Vickere to his bror Moses and took the acknowledgement for which Moses is to pay me in grain 2s/ Lawful

22d I made a Coffin for the Corps of Joseph Moor who died last night he lived after he got his hurt about 30 hours

23d I attended joseph Moors funeral and jamey got the last of the Meal of the Grain I had from Gibson and he got a bushell of Salt from Lieut Danll Moor would be discounted in my Plank we had

25th I settled with Wm Goffe for what Shoes he he made for me last faul and I fell 2s/ Bay old Tenr in his debt and I Gave him 5s/ bay old Tenor what work he did for me came to 5–7–6 Bay old Tenor and I pd him a Dol-

lar in money and Vamps for a pair of shoes and seven Lasts came to 5-5-6 bay old Ten^{r} and I made the hoops of 3 shugar boxes and I got 2 quils for Esqr underwoods Gun from john Gillmor and I finished Mending his Gunstock

26th I butchered our young Cows Calf it weighed 42½ £ of Veal and I went to Litchfield and paid Sam^{ll} Gibson 4-19-0 bay old Tenor toward the 4 bushell of Rie I had from him the 13th Instant & I ow him one Shilling bay old Tenor of it yet and I got one bushell of Indian corn and a bushell of Rie from john Quig for which I am to go and Run lines next monday or Tuesday for him and I got it Ground at Lieut Moors mill and I had the Toal

27th Capt Barron and Ensn McLaughlin and I met at my house and made at the Minister and Province Rates & I got a Gallon of Molasses from john Wallace on Credit

28th the last years Select men went and Veiwed the bridge over Piscataquog River the forenoon as a Committee and the afternoon We met at my house and finished Makeing the Rates And I writ a Deed from john Aiken to james Lyon & took the acknowledgement for which Aiken paid me 2^{s}/ La: Mo: and 3^{s}/ Hamp^{r} old Ten^{r} over that I could not make to give him the change

29th I went out with john McCleary to find the lotts that a peice of land that he wanted lay in the 4th Rang west of the bogg for which he paid me 5/6 Lawful Money down

30th I finished Coppying the lists and Warts and I took them to the Constable

JULY 2d

I borrowed two dollars from Capt Barron and one from Wm Caldwell to be paid in a week & I paid Hugh Ramsey one pound one shilling Lawful for his service last August in the case that Mr Houston prosecuted my wife

3^{d} I went to Litchfield and Run the line between john Quigs and Gibson's places and I went and lodged at William Pattersons

4th Wm Patterson had procured for me 2 bushell of Rie from one of the chases and he sent his son and got it and 6 bushell of Indian from Widow Parker & he borrowed 3 Dollars from Deacon Kenndell and let me have them and I paid her for the corn it was ½ a Dollar pr bushell and I got it up to Quigs and I Run on the line between Mr Cotton and Gibsons place and I brot home the 2 bushell of Rie and two of Indian and left the other 4 bushell of corn in Quigs

5th I suned the 2 bushell of Rie that I had from Chase yesterday and picket the durt out of it and it lacked 5⅔ full of the beer quart of two bushell and I got 4½ £ of Potash from john Bell for which I am to give him 2¼ bushell of Ashes and james Martain Thos McLaughlin Majr Goffe and I agreed to fish in Equal partnership for Salmon and Martain and my brors boys got 3 Salmon and they sent me half of one that weighed 6¼ £ Martain and I fishes together on Mondays Wednesdays & Fridays for this season all to be at Equal cost cost of Nets &c

6th Spent the most of the day with people that came to the house I put the bottom into two large shugar boxes and got an Iron puding pan from john Gillmor that he had mended and fished and got 2 Salmon in the Nett and they broke through & got away and I got a quart of Rum from my bror on jonathan Curriers acct pr his Verbal order

7th I worked some at makeing a pail and had company that hindered me

8th Was Mr Houstons Sacrament

9th james Martain and I got a Salmon that weighed 14¼ £ and we divided it in two and had half each of us and I went Litchfield to finish Runing the line between Mr Cottons and Gibsons place and did it accordingly and lodged at Quigs and jean Mcfarland came to Spin at our house

10th I Run the head line of Gibsons place and fixed it N: E: Corner which was gone and got Mr Cotton to frame the substance of of a letter to Secretery Oliver on the affair of the preabulation of the lines of Gibsons place and come home and brot 4 bushell of Indian corn from Quigs being what his john brot from Widow Parkers for me last week and I bot 2 £ of tobacca from Meins and pd him ¼ La: Mo: for it

11th I writ a deed for George Cowen from Ephraim Cowen to Richard Hail unpaid and I workt at makeing pails

12th I workt at makeing pails and I took the acknowledgement of a deed from Esquire Simpson to Samuell Gordon and Gordon paid me a Shilling Lawful for it

13th I butchered our Heifers Calf it weighed 40¾ £ of Veal in the Evening I went to the Brook and there was seven Salmon at it and in putting out the Netts there was a Stick about the board that tangled it it when we got about ⅓ part out and pestered us so that we Enclosed 3 and two of them broke out and we got one that weighed 7½ £ we waited and hauld after the moon Rise and got two 1 weighed 16¼ and the other 13¾ and we divided & martain got 19 £ and 10/ ozs and I got 18 £ & 10/oz

14th I went with the other Selectmen to lay out the highway from McClearys to the foot of the bogg but stoped at Giffins by Reason that Giffin and Wylies would have it south of the Cow hill and we would not lay it there.

16th In the afternoon I attended a town Meeting and john Went for Chester and took 2 pails and a large shugar box that I made and some dishes that he turnd for his aunt jean Tolford and I acknowledged the Deed that I writ from john Aiken to the Savages that Lieut john Moor paid me for in Rie the 12th of last April and I got 6 £ of a 11 £ Salmon that Martain catched he got 2 and gave Goffe and McLaughlin the other

17th I settled with Lieut Daniel Moor for the plank he had from me this spring being 1580 feet and a hundred feet that Major Goffe let him have and allowed him to pay me (and we are to settle for them) and what owed him on book and what he paid me before this spring being 5 Dollars and 24-16-6 Bay old Tenor he paid me this day paid off the whole of the plank & I paid William Caldwell the Dollar that I borrowed the 2d Instant

18th I and Elijah Colburn catched 2 Salmon that weighed 27 £ I had one that was 15½ and Martain had the other that weighed 11½ and I went to

Litchfield and I paid Capt Barron 2 Dollars that I borrowed from him the 2d Instant and I paid Robt Alexander 2–15–3 being what I owed him toward 4 bushell of Rie I had from him the 28th of last April and I paid Deacon Kenndell 3 Dollars that William Patterson borrowed for to pay widow Parker for 6 bushell of Corn for me the 4th Instant and I left a Dollar and a pistereen with William Kenndell for William Patterson to pay for 2 bushell of Rie he got for me the 4th Instant from one of the Chases and I got a bushell of Rie from john Quig and I got a bushell of Rie from Moses Vickere and I paid 10/ Silver money and 15/ he owed me for writing & acknowledgeing a Deed the 21st of last June and I had ¼ £ of Indigo and ¼ of Madder 2 £ of tobbaca and a Dozen of fish hook from Meins for which I paid him 1–18–2 Bay old Tenor and Martain & my boys got a Salmon in the Evening that weighed 18 £

19th I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for Richard Hail from Cowens for which he paid me a Shilling Lawful and afterward I went to Russes and Run lines for the Refferees in McNeals and Russ controversie and was an Evidence in the case also charged a Dollar unpd

20th I went to David Burns in Amherst and paid Mary Burns for her sister Martha 4–4–0 Bay old Tenor for Marthas spining at our house faul was a year her wages come to 3–15–0 and I pd a pistereen for waiting and I got a quart of Rum from john Bell for which I paid him 5/ Bay old Tenor

21st I mended up my Rakes and planed off 5 new Rake handles

23d Martain and I catched 2 Salmon one weighed 30 £ and the other weighed 21 I had the largest and I made off 2 new Rakes for Robt Neasmith and fitted a parcel of Rake heads

24th I took 3 rakes to Robert Neasmith for which he paid me 1–7–0 Bay old Tenor and I got his little Girl to go to Capt Chamberlins Mill for me with a bushell of Indian Corn and a bushell of Rie and I gave half a pistereen for her going And I Run lines about the home lotts for john Thomas for which joseph let me have a bushell of Rie the 29th of last march

25th I finished 2 Rakes for james Martain and one for john Thomas and I sent jamey and David to the brook to fish with Colburn and they got a Salmon that weighd 22 £ and I had the half of it

26th I fitted some Stuff for Syth Sneaths and finished makeing a Rake for john Thomas and one for Robt Neasmiths Girls that went to Capt Chamberlins Mill for me the 24th Instant

27th I bent at some Scyth Sneaths and hung my scyth on one of them and john went to Capt Chamberlins Mill and took almost a bushell of Rie with him and got a bushell of Indian Corn of john Thomas on acct of my Runing lines there the 24th Instant & got them Ground and Colburn and I got a Salmon that weighed 14½ £ and I had it which makes me 10 £ ahead of Martain

28th I hewed and Shaved some Rake stales and bent a scyth sneath and such puttering work

30th I began to Mow in the Little meadow and found that the worms and grasshopers had almost destroyed my burnt lott and hurt the Rest a great deal

31st I went to Alexander McAllister in Londonderry and Run lines for him at Moose Hill and lodged there with him over Night

AUGUST FIRST

I writ two powers of Attorney from the old women and 4 of the childer to Robt Fulton and took the acknowledgement they paid me half a dollar in money and 4 £ of Cotton at a pistereen a pound toward my pay and I came to john Duncans and I got 2 Gallon of Rum for which I paid 1-16-0 Bay old Tenor

2d I writ two advertisments for Dartmouth meeting to be held the 15th Instant

3d john and I went and Mowed at the Little Meadow and we finished the burnt lott and the afternoon we mowed in the Squar and jamey & bob & david Reaped 4 Stooks being the first of our Reaping

4th I got 18½ £ of beaf from Samll Vose at 1½ penny per £ La: Mo: which paid me for my assisting in takeing Deacon Walkers Deposition with Col Goffe in perpetuam the 31st of last may and I paid his wife the hirespickery I borrowed there las faul or Winter and john went to Litchfield and got 2 sow pigs from john Quig the one he gave me and the other I am to pay for and I mowed some in the afternoon in the Little meadow

5th Mr Houston was absent from Bedford

6th I went after my oxen to goffestown and got them home about 2 o Clock and in the afternoon I took in 8 Stooks of Rie and some odd sheaves and the boys turned hay at the little meadow and Raked and there was a shower in the afternoon that put them from it

7th john thrashed 2 Stook which produced 2 bushell and 4 or 5 quarts and the other boys and I Reaped 3 stooks and 4 Sheaves and then we went to the Meadow and I brot home a load being what was in the burnt lott

8th I brot home a load of hay and the boys Reaped

9th I brot home a load of hay and I took in 16 stooks and 9 sheaves there was 17 stooks and 9 sheaves in the South Field with the old baulk included

10th my horse put out the Stifle joint of his off thigh and spent the forenoon about it and the boys Reaped the forenoon above the barn

11th the boys and I Reaped and we pounded 3 of old Mr Curriers hogs who has lived a long time in our field and did us a great deal of Damage Moses came and promised to take care of them and I let him have them without asking any Satisfaction

13th I went and Run the lines of no 2 & 3 in the Great meadow for james Gillmor and Moses Vickere and Lieut Daniel Moor joined on the outside and Gillmor pd me a pistereen and Vickere is to pay me in corn and Lieut Moor paid me 5/ Bay old Tenor

14th we Reaped and in the afternoon was a shower that put us out from it

15th in the afternoon I went to Col Goffes to a Proprs Meeting of Dartmouth and the boys and I finished Reaping the field before the house and the Rie that was on it carted in there was 23 Stooks of Winter in it 13 of Spring Rie

16th we Reaped 12 Stooks and 9 sheaves which finished our Reaping we had 40 Stooks in the South field and above the barn the whole of our Rie amounted to 77 Stooks and we got the last of it in

17th I carried john Bell 13½ bushell of Ashes 3½ I alowed him for the 4½ £ of pot Ash I had from him on the 5th of last July and there was 10 bushell more to be paid and I got 10 £ of shugar for them from him

18th I mowed some at home in the afternoon

20th I sent john with a letter to Esqr Lovewell to Inform him that I could not go to portsmo this week and he got ½ an ounce of Nutmeg and a paper of pins at Meins and a yard of wier for which he paid 11/10 Bay old Tenor

21st john and I mowed in the Little Meadow

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM AUGUST 21st 1770

22d My brors john helped us at the Meadow we mowed the Dispute lott and Raked what john and I mowed yesterday being 37 or 38 cocks and Susanna went to Meins and got ¼ of pepr and ¼ of alspice for which she paid 9/6 Bay old Tenor

23d was a Rain in the Night and cloudy all day and very mugey hot

24th we Raked up the Dispute lott and had 15 cocks on it and I carted a jag of hay from the Meadow

25th we mowed part of the day and Raked up 13 cocks of What we mowed today and susey went to Derry and got ½ £ of Tea and a string of beads from pinkerton for which she paid 20/6 Bay old Tenor and borrowed some Wool from William Morrows wife

27th we worked at the hay in the Meadow a clear pleasant hay day

28th Rainey day and My bror Samll and john Wallace killed a Cow that they got from Mathw Little they had her at 1/6 pr £ Bay old Tenor she came to 17½ Dollars I had a hind Quarter from my bror that weighed 68 £ it came to 5–2–0 Bay old Tenor I spent my day about it on Credit

29th I brot a load of hay from the Meadow

30th and 31st I brot two load of hay from the Meadow each day

SEPTEMBER FIRST

I brot 2 load of hay from the Meadow

3d Samll Kennedy pd me 2 pistereens for Writing a Deed from his brethren to him and some advice &c I did for him and I went and Run the lines of the 2 southerly lotts in the 4th Rang in this town for john McCleary and john went to the Meadow and brot home 8 Cocks of hay being the last I had 146 Cocks in all in the little meadow this year we picked 7 cocks in Governor lott where we never got any before

4th Writ a Letter to Esqr Peirce of the value of the lott I run yesterday for my Runing yesterday and the letter today john McCleary paid me a Dollar and I plowed in the field by my brors and we got 6 £ and 7 ounces of pot Ash from john Bell

5th and 6th I plowed in the field by my bror and finished the field and on the 6th when I had done plowing I went to Mill and got two bushell of Rie and a bushell of Indian ground

7th I harrowed in the forenoon and the afternoon the boys and I Cut stalks

8th I went to Col Goffes mill and got 2½ bushell of Rie Ground

10th I got clay at my brors clay pit and mended the mouth of our Oven

11th I waited on Esquire Jenness son at Col Goffes about going to Piermont to lay out the home lotts and we concluded to go as soon as I could and am to send him word by the post when I can go

13th I cleaned up 5 bushell of Winter Rie and sowed 4 of it in the field by my brors

14th I sowed about 5 bushell of Rie for my brors boys in the field by his new barn

15th I sowed about 18 quarts of Rie which finished My field by my brors being 4½ bushell and about two quarts on it of seed

17th I cleaned up 8 bushell of Winter Rie

18th I got 2 bushell of Winter Wheat from Col Goffe to Sow

22d I sent john to Derry and brot 3 Galon of Rum from john Duncan and I paid a Dollar of it and I owe a pistereen of it

23d my Wife was exercised with Travail pains since yesterday forenoon and I went and brot Grany Moor to our house my Wife was considerably Exercised in the night but was better a days

24th my Wife was easyer this day altho she is and has been for a considerable time very poorly And john went to Meins and got ½ £ of tea and he paid two pistereens of it and there is ½ a pistereen due toward it

25th my wife was Delivered Safe of a Daughter precisely at 12 o Clock at noon after aboundance of hard Labor and and a great deal of Discouragement and fear of Deficualty My Wife and the women were all a great Deal Discouraged my brors Sarah and Betty sit up with the child the night following

26th there was a considerable Rain last night and this morning and I sowed the two bushell of wheat I had from Col Goffe the 18th instant

27th last night and today I sowed a bushell and about 5 or 6 quarts of Rie which finished what Indian hills I shall sow this faul and I butchered a Ewe that weighed about 38 or 39 £

29th I workt at the highway from the hither end of the Casway to the bridge west of Arrowins and john workt the forenoon at it and jamey & Bob got a load of wood

30th my wife had a very Ill turn was very feaveris she got a Sweat and was a little Easyer in the Evening

OCTOBER FIRST

being Monday my wife was worse in the middle of the day but was easyer in the afternoon and I workt at a table for jenny Polard and Samuell Kennedy gave me one shilling sterling for advice

2d I sowed near ¾ of a bushell of Rie on part of the flax ground and part of the stuble I have sowed 6 bushell and one half of Rie this faul and two bushell of wheat and I worked at the table I was at yesterday and I did some writings for Lieut Little and james Vose about a boy that Vose

got from Little for which I charged 2s/ and Little gave me one pistereen and I could not give him his change and Vose owes his

3d I workt some at the table

4th I writ the Deed of William Holms place to Jacob Freze and took the acknowledgement for which Freze paid me 2/s La : Mo :

5th I write a Mortgage Deed from Jacob Freze to William Holms and took the acknowledgement for which Holms is to pay me 2/ La : Mo :

6th I went to Benj Dows to Measure off 46 acres out of the lott he lives on to his bror and after he had measured from the S: W: corner to the River we were obliged to leave off because we could not measure over the River and I writ a deed from his father joseph Dow to him of the Remainder of the lott and in the afternoon I went to George Hadley for Abraham Merril and writ a Deed from Merril and another from Ezekial Stevens to said Hadley and Merril and Stevens paid me one shilling each for the deeds and Hadley paid me a pistereen and seven coppers toward the acknowledgements and there Remains 9/s Old Tenor of the pay for the Acknowledgements yet and john went to Meins and got a Gallon of Rum and ½ £ of Loaf shugar and a pound of Tobacca and a Coppers worth of snuff and paid for them 27/5 Bay Old Tenor and he paid him ½ a pistereen that I owed him toward ½ £ of Tea we had there the 24th of last month and Susanna got 6 £ of brown shugar at john Bells on Credit

8th I finished the table for Amoziah Polards wife and took it to Wards for her

9th I Vendued David Scobeys place to Esqr Underwood for 2450 £ old Tenor and Lieut Daniel Moor purchased Esqr Underwoods Sale for a johanna and I am to go tomorrow to Lieut Moors to do the Writings

10th I took 4 bushell of Rie to Lieut Moors Mill and writ the Deed from David Scobey to said Moor of his place and it was late when we had done and I tarried all night it Rained some

11th I came home in the evening and brot the meal home with me

12th I went to Ezekiel Stevens and he paid me a Dollar and a half part of my service about Godfreys Estate and I went to the falls and got my nett that day at the falls from the spring and I left the pole in Hugh McCalleys chamber and the net I brot home

13th I Husked corn the fore part of the day and the boys and I got in corn in the afternoon

15th I Husked corn all day

16th I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from joseph Marston to joseph Sanders unpd

17th we brot in our new land corn being the last we had two jaggs and about a half for our Oxen

19th I went and Run lines for joseph Thomas at the lott he had from Loander in rained a good deal and wet us considerable and I took 1½ bushell of New Indian corn to Daniel Moors Mill being the first we took to Mill this year and yesterday john got ¼ £ of tea and ¼ of peper and a pound of loaf Shugar and ½ a gallon of Rum and ½ a Gallon of Molasses from Meins and a Coppers worth of snuff for which he paid him a Dollar and he got ½ a bushell of corn from Moses Vickery for my Runing lines for him the 13th of last August

20th Was a Very great Storm of Rain and Hail the wind very high at northeast and workt backward to the North it Rained 24 hours

23d I writ two deeds one from joseph Thomas to john McIntosh and one from McIntosh to Thos and took the acknowledgements for which they paid me 3-11-2 And I lent jamey Patterson 2 bushell of Rie

25th the boys Diged 16 bushell of Potatoes being the first we diged to lay up and I went to Lieut Moors Mill and got 4 bushell of Indian corn ground

26th We all diged 30 bushell of potatoes

27th We diged 17 bushell of potatoes and john went to Meins and got ½ a Gallon of Rum and an ounce of Indigo and a pair of Shoe buckels for which he pd him 25/6 Bay old Tenor

29th I writ a Deed from john Lowder junr to Richard McAllester of the lott no 13 in the 8th Rang and a bond for the money and a Mortgage to Lowder of Richards place for security and Richard helped me to butcher our black cow she weighed 292 £ of beaf and 50 £ of hide and 10 £ of tallow Lowder paid me ½ a Dollar for his part of the pay and I gave a Deed of my Land in Goffestown on Piscataquog to Timothy Favour Esqr Abraham Dow and his bror Job for 280 Dollars they paid me 48 Dollars in Gold and silver at signing the deed they are to pay me 52 more in a month and a hundred in a year and 80 in two year the two last sums on Interest and the 52 on Interest if not paid in a month

30th a very cold day and high N : W : wind diged a few potatoes in the afternoon & I pd Mrs Heaper for her husbands work last faul 5-14-0 Bay old Tenor

31st last night froze extreamly hard Diged a few potatoes in the afternoon

NOVEMBER 1st

I went to Capt Karrs and had 3 new Shoes of my Iron and I had an old one and had them set the charge was 3-6-0 old Tenor and I paid it and all I owed him for smith work the whole came to 18-15-0 old Tenor

2d I paid Thomas Wallace a pistereen for a peck of Onions we had from him some years ago and I paid him 2 pistereens for ½ a bushell of Onions that I am to get now

4th I sent john to Meins and he got ¼ of Tea and a pound of tobacca and ½ of gallon of Rum for which he paid 3 pistereens

This week john Bell had my Cart to Mistake with a load of Potash

7th I set out for Boston and had Mr Turrills Horse Cart arrived at Billerica and lodged at Polards

8th I arrived at Boston and lodged at Widow Cochranes

9th Bot several articles and lodged at Mrs Cochranes a Rainey day

10th Rainey untill 12 o Clock and then I set out came to Mistake and Wool and several other articles and came to Woburn Precinct and Lodged over the sabath at Mr Smiths the Retailers

12th set out and traveled the Night following and arrived hom on tuesday morning a little after sun Rise on the 13th

14th I went to john Bell and got 6 £ of shugar and paid him 1-10-0 Bay old Tenor for it

17th john went to Meins and got ¼ of Tea & half a Gallon of Molasses

and paid 20/ Bay old Tenor for them and I went to Lieut Daniel Moors Mill and got 2 bushel of Rie and 2 bushel of Indian Corn Ground

19th I went to Londonderry to Alexander McAlesters to Run lines for him

20th and 21st and 22d was on the Affiar of his lines and came home in the Evening

23d Was a considerable Rain last night I went to Capt Karrs and got my plough Irons laid and 2 steples of yoke iron mended chains &c come to 6-10-0 old Tenor and I got two axes he new laid for me they were 7 £ old Tenor

24th I went with my Neighbors Ward and Chandler and Thos English and Run lines Ward and Chandler is to pay me ¾ of a Dolar and English is to pay me ¼ of a Dolar

25th Robt Macmurphys john came to our house in the morning and informed us that my mother Macmurphy Departed this life last night and we borrowed Col Goffes Chair and my wife and john set out for Londonderry

26th Susanna had her uncles Mare and went over to her grandmothers funeral and I put in two handles into the axes that Capt Karr laid for me

27th I went at Robert Richardsons Desire and attended Col Goffe and Capt Walker and laid out 25 acres to him on the right of Pumeroys heirs in Goffestown for which Richardson is to pay me a Dollar

28th Alexander Gregg sent a son of Hugh Gregg to have me go to New boston to take some Depositions and I appointed to go on friday Next and gave him a Notification to james McFerson accordingly to meet to james Gregs at one o Clock and I coppyd off the plans of james Voses two lotts where he lives

29th & 30th jamey and bob and I got wood I was disappointed of Going to New boston my horse did not come home from Derry and I could not borrow one

DECEMBER FIRST

I coppyed a number of lotts in Goffestown of the plan for Lieut Little and Esqr Dow came and paid me 33 Dollars in Gold and Silver towards his and his brors Job and Mr Favours Note that they gave me for fifty two Dollars on Demand and I lent 9 Dollars of it to james Vose and took his note on Demand for it with Intrest till paid

3d I went to Lieut Moors Mill with 2 bushell of Rie and 2 of Indian corn & and got them ground

4th we butchered our 2 Sows the one weighed 185 and the other 159 and I sent john to Meins and got ½ £ of Tea and ½ Gallon of Molasses and ¼ £ of peper and a Coppers worth of Great Pins for which he paid him 1-16-10 Bay old Tenor

5th I went to Capt Karrs And I paid him what I owed him on my Note being 2-18-8-3 and I paid him 13/9 for his laying 2 axes & other smith work the 23d ult and I overpaid him 23-10-5 old Tenor which I am to take out in smith work out of which he mended one of the Eye of my Cleavis and I got a bushell of corn from George Hadley which pd me all he owed me and a little over

6th Was the General Thanksgiveing and I paid Mr George Tate 2–0–6 Bay old Tenor being my part for 3 scholars for a month schooling

7th I paid john Clark for what Rum and Molasses Tody &c I had from Mary Riddle being 6–19–0 old Tenor

8th I went Wards and Swore Capt Bradford and his wife to their administration acct on her late husbands Estate and charged nothing And I went to Capt Barrons and he and Thos McLaughlin and I made the 2d Province rate and Mr Hepper worked yesterday and today for me and made a pair of Britches for me and a pair for jamey

10th I went to Lieut moors Mill and 2 bushell of Rie and 2 Corn and got it Ground and I paid Major Goffe ½ a Dollar for a bushell of Rie I had from him the 15th of last january as I Remember

11th I went to Matthew Littles to have him lay off to me the land I bot of Tuckermans for Tax and we agreed to do it tomorrow

12th it Snowed it fell about 3 or 4 inches deep

13th & 14th I shod my sled and made a new Slat

15th I went to Daniel Moors Mill and got 3 bushell of Indian corn ground that I took from home 1 bushell of it was that I had from George Hadley the 6th Instant

17th it began to Snow in the morning but was but a little

18th I Hewed Rowler for a loging Sled and was hindered with company and james Ferson brot me an order of Court to take a survey in his case with james Gregg

19th went to Matthew Little to have him come and lay off the land I bot of Tuckermans for Tax but he could not appoint a time

20th I fell a stick for a speer for a loging Sled

21st was a Rainey day

22d I finished a pair of Temples for Debh Haws for which she is to spin cotton and I went to Nathaniel Clark to get Patt Moor to come and spin at house on the Great wheel she agreed to come Next Wednesday Evening and I writ a Deed from William Perham junr to Robt Richardson of half of Pomeroy heirs land in Goffestown and took the Acknowledgement for which Perham paid me two shillings la: Mo: and Robt Richardson paid me a Dolla for my laying out sd land on the 27th ult

26th I brot home a stick for a spear to a loging Sled

27th I went after Patt Moor who did not come according to agreement she had got a fall and she agreed to come next Saterday

28th I measured off 20 acres of Meadow and Swamp for William McClentock in the meadow below his house to Abraham Merrill and others for which McClintock paid me a Dollar and I paid him 11/ Hampshire old Tenor for ½ a pint of Rum

29th I hewed some at a loging Sled Speer

31st I went to David Burns in Amherst to try to get Martha to Spin but could not and came home by Thos Wallaces and tryed for some of his Daughters but could not and john Got my horse shoes fitted at Capt Karrs

JANUARY FIRST 1771

I went to Loderry with joseph Scobey on his business concerning his adminion on Kelsos Estate but the parties did not meet us according to appointment

2d Came home I bot a broth pott that weighed 52 £ And a Tea Kittle from john Pinkerton for which I paid him 14/8 La: Mo: the pott was 8/8 and the Tea Kettle 6/ and yesterday I had a Shoe sett on my horses near fore foot by Ayers and paid him 3 coppers I had no more change

3d I went to Wylies to see to get one of the Girls to spin on the Great wheel she promised to come next monday

4th I paid 2 pistereens to Samuell Moor to pay his bror Capt Moor for a Gallon of Rum I had from his wife the 15th of last Augt and I paid him 10/ Bay old Tenor for an old Axe I had from this day and I went and Run lines at the 3d Division no 54 for james Moor junr of Merrymac but did not finish

5th I finished Runing the lines of lott I was at yesterday and writ a deed from the heirs to their Uncle Lieut Moor and another from him to Robt Alexander I Recd no pay as yet for my service and I paid Meins 6-6-0 Bay old Tenor for 6 bushell of Indian corn which I have to Receive

7th john thrashed above a bushell of Rie and we cleaned it made with what we had cutt before about 2 bushell and we got out 4 bushell of Indian corn of our own

8th I went to Capt Karrs and got a new Axe and one they had laid john took the old axe there the 31st ult & jenny Wylie and Betty Vickere came to our house to Spin Wool

9th I went to Merrymac and got 2 bushell of corn from Robt Gillmoor on Meins acct and 2 more from Magaw on his acct made 4 of the 6 I bot the 5th Instant and I came to Widow Moors and took the acknowledgement of the Deed that Deacon Moors Heirs gave to their uncle Lieut john Moor and I got the 4 bushell of corn I had from Meins Ground at Lieut Moors Mill & I paid McGall 4 Dollars for corn which I have to Receive

10th I Run the dividing lines of Scobeys place between him and Lieut Moor and I got a bushell of wheat from Scobey and one from his son David toward the service I have done for them and Mr Ward brot us a loaf of shugar from Boston of 10 £ weight a 7/ pr £ Bay old Tenor I sent 8-5-0 Bay old Tenor with him and he Returned 2 Dollars in change

11th I went and run the lines at the meadow lott no 27 for james Wylie and the line between his place and Robert Giffins charged 6/ unpd

12th I went with Capt Barron and viewed the Bridge over Piscataquog River to see if we would accept it and I took the acknowledgement of the Deed from Lieut John Moor to Robert Alexander and Alexander paid me half a Dollar toward my Runing the lines of the 3d Division no 54 last week

14th I with john and james measured off 8½ Acres of the west end of the lott no 3 in the 11th Rang that I bot at Vendue to pay the Tax I charged 9/s La: Mo: for myself and boys the charge before the laying out was 15-19-6 O T I bot it at 3 £ pr acre which came to 5⅓ and the laying

out made 8⅓ and the collector charged as much as made it 8½ acres in the whole

15th I Run lines in the ash swamp for Capt Barron Thos Murdough and john Gillmor the Capt is to pay 2/6 and Murdough and Gillmor is to pay 3/6

16th I writ a deed from Wm White Junr of some land in Newboston to David Scobey and took the acknowledgement for which White paid me 2/ lawful money and went to Capt Karrs for smith work and I tarried there over Night

17th I got an ax that he upsett and Shutt the Eye and a beal for our great pot and a bit for boreing spools

18th I went to joseph Batchelders and got two bushell of Salt of Capt Karrs from him that lay there by a written order I owe Capt Karr for it

19th I went to Meins and I got ½ £ of Tea and 2 £ of Shugar from Megaw for which I paid him 31/6 Bay old Tenor and I got 3½ bushell of corn from him toward what money I had given him and Meins

21st I went to Meius and Magaw gave me an order on john Parker for 4 bushells of Rie and I went and got it and I paid Doctr Parker for ½ ounce of herispickery 15/ old Tenor that jas Martain brot me last Summer and I came back and paid Magaw 5 £ Bay old Tenor for the Rie I got at Parkers on the order he gave me and I had a pound of tobacca and ½ ounce of snuff from him for which I paid him 6/3 bay old Tenor and in the Evening I paid john Kidder a Dollar for all the ferriage I have had since he has attended it being two year and better and 20/s old Tenr of it was the ferriage of the Selectmen and Witnesses when Merril Cited the Selectmen to court about a highway to his ferry in the year 1769 and comeing home I settled with Lieut Caldwell for a Stack of hay he had from me two year ago or more he charged me for 2 Gallon of Molasses 36/ and 3 bushell of potatoes 27/ Bay old Tenr and he had paid me two dollars in money and there was 24/ bay old Tenor due to me and he paid it to me and I forgot 4 hundred of hay he had from me before he had the Stack of me which was not Reckoned

22d I went to Litchfield and had 1 bushell of Rie from McGall and 3 from jonathan Stevens at john Parkers and I paid McGall for the whole 4 bushell and I got 3 yds of wire for my brors Betty she sent 2 Coppers and I laid out the Rest and a Dozn of Needles for which I paid 4 Coppers and I paid Grany Moor half a Dollar for her Service as a Midwife when our Sarah was born last Septr

23d 24th & 25th I with my bror Samll & Samll Vose for the Proprs of this town and Capt Barron and Capt Bradford for Amherst Proprs Preambulated and Established the line between the proprietors and Writ and Signed a Settlement to each other of the same to be put on each Proprs book Respectively my Expences on said Service was 9/10 Bay old Tenor the first night I lodged at Mr Howards and the second night I lodged at Capt Allds all at free cost my charge for said 3 Days for time and expences is one pound seven shillings lawfull money

26th jenny Wylie and Betty Vickere went home from spining and I paid each of them a Dollar for what they have helped me

28th I writ a Deed from Lieut Daniel Moor to Alexr jamison and gave Col Goffe a Summons for Witnesses in Lieut Halls case and the town of Derryfield and a Notification to Hall to hear the Evidences Next Thursday at Col: Goffes at one o Cloçk afternoon and I went to New boston to Survey on james Ferson and Alexr Greggs controversie and lodged at Deacon Chandlers

29 and 30th on the business but did not finish by Reason that it snowed and came home but agreed to go back next Monday if the snow and weather will permitt

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31st I attended at Col: Goffes and took several Depositions for the town of Derryfield against Lieut Hall unpaid my charge is 6/ Lawfull money

FEBRUARY

2d I mended at my shoes and got a Gallon of Molasses from Capt Walker for which I am to Measure and Run off his son Silass land in Goffestown

4th I sett out for New boston to finish the survey for james Ferson and Alexr Gregg and on my way there I Measured and Run off Silas Walkers land and Capt Walker attended the same and I went to james Fersons and lodged there

5th Run lines on the former affair of Fersons & Gregg and I lodged at Fersons and Exceeding cold hay

6th Run lines on the same affair very cold but not so Extream as yesterday and I lodged at Hugh Greggs

7th was a Snowy day and I came to james Fersons and drawed the plan of my Survey for them and lodged at Fersons

8th I came home and james Ferson before I left his house paid me four Dollars towards my pay I charged Six Dollars and I promised to forgive one Dollar if they made up their affair without going to court

9th was a very snowey day and toward the end of it it Rained and the wind got to the South and blowed hard and old john McLaughlin was buried he died yesterday and I butchered our old Ram he weighed 43 £

10th Sabathday a pleasant day and a considerable hard crust on the snow the wind Exceeding high at N: W:

11th I went to Meins and I bot 7 £ of Rice a 10/6 and 2½ Quarts of Rum a 11/2 and an Ounce of pins a 3/ and two Gimbletts a 4/2 and ½ oz of Snuff a 1/3 and Discounted out of the money I had gave him for corn I gave him 4 Dollars and I got 1½ bushell of corn a 21/s pr bushell and I Recd the change of the 4 Dollars being 5–19–5 all Bay old Tenor

12th was a Snowy fore part of the day and then it Rained a smart Rain and I soled bobs shoes and fitted the heels

13th the wind high at N: W: and very cold and we broke a path and got home a little wood

14th and 15th I went with Lieut john Moor to his Sister in laws and writ 2 Deeds one of Deacon james Moors whole Estate to David McCleary junr and a Deed of Davids place to james Moor and several other papers and I

charged a Dollar jamey paid me ½ of it and David is to pay me the other ½ a Dollar and I got ½ £ of Tea and 2 £ of shugar and ½ ounce of Snuff & with an Almanack that john Got this winter came altogether to 1-14-7 bay old Tenor from McGall which I paid

16th I went to Francis Barnetts and his wife gave me some honey for to use as a medicine for the cold for my wife

17th Sabath day was a Snowy day it fell several inches deep

18th I went to Mathw Littles and with him and Lieut Moor to Arbitrate between john McLaughlin and Robt Giffen but could not finish for want of john McLaughlins Administration acct on Taggarts estate charged 4/ and I writ a Deed from George Hadley to jese Wright and took the acknowledgement for which josiah Wood paid me 2/

19th I went to Meins and I got one Gallon of Molasses one ounce of pins ½ ounce of Nutmeg and ½ ounce of snuff & one gallon of N: E: Rum for which I paid him 0-4-4-2 La Mo and I paid the 12 bushell of Indian corn I agreed for from Robt Alxr to his wife being six Dollars and I left our own three bags and three bags I borrowed from my bror Samlls wife to Receive the corn in and Lieut Moors team is to carrie it to his mill from there

20th I went and Run a line of a piece of land that Willm Nutt bot of Major Goffe in Derryfield and writ the Deed and took the acknowledgement and Some other Writings and charged 4/ Lawful Goffe paid me 2/ and Nutt promised to me the other 2/

21st I put a handle into an Ax that Capt Karr laid for me this Winter and was a very cold day

22d I attended at Col Goffes pr his desire with my bro & Majr Goffe and made out a list of assessment and a list of how much money was pd and Writ 2 advertisements for a Meeting to be held the eighth of March next at ten o Clock forenoon

23d Alexr Gregg brot us 2 £ of snuff one quarter and half of white Silk Catgut came to 33/9 bay old Tenor for which I gave him a Dollar the 7th Instant at which time I got a penknife from him the knife was 7/ bay old Tenor and he Returned me 4/2 being the change of the Dollar and I went to Lieut Moors for the 12 bushell of Corn that he brot from Alexanders for me but the mill was out of order and I got but 2 bushell of it ground and came and 2 bushell of salt from john Bell for the journey of my Cart last November or Octr to Mistake with his pot ash

25th Mr Hepper came to make a suit of Fustin for me and I got ½ yd and Nale of two cloth from him and and three sticks of twist and I went to McGaws and got one Gallon of Molasses ½ Gallon of Rum and two Dozen of Coat buttons and a quire of Writing paper for which I pd him 2-12-0 bay old Tenor

26th I went to Newboston to take Depositions for Alexr Gregg in his and james Farsons case & lodged at Deacon Cochranes with a great Rain

27th I Got Robt McFarland to go and Notifie Gregg that I was Come and I took 4 Depositions and lodged at Deacons Cochranes again snowed about 3 inches

28th I came home had Exceeding bad Travelling both up and down but Especially down I charged 12s/ Lawful unpaid

MARCH

I spent the day in new drawing the plan of james Fersons Alexander Greggs controversie and in the Evening I went and see my neighbour Ward who is about moveing away next week and my brors Betty paid me 16/ bay old Tenor being the Remainder of the sleeve bottons she had from me last faull

2d I went as far as Deacon Boies to get word to Thos Boies to come next Monday to Thos McLaughlins to settle on his Constableship and went to james Wallace at his place to get word to Mr Houston to come and get his order for his sallery for the year 1770

3d I Recd a Dollar from Alexr Gregg to help bear my expenses to Portsmouth as an Evidence in his case and james Fersons

4th Capt Barron and I met at Thos McLaughlins and we Recd 6-9-11-1 La: Mo: from james Caldwell of his collection of rates and 1-2-4-3 from Thos Boies of his Collection of Rates and I got the money to buy Weights and Measures and a new town book and we Examined Thos Boies on his constableship and there Remains due of his Lists 9-13-0-0 and we gave Mr Houston an order for 49-2-2-3 which with two pistereens he Recd from Thomas Boies more than his order on him made his salary for the year 1770 and gave some other orders and Drawed the March meeting Warrant and Samll Vose was there and we gave it to him

6th I set out for Portsmouth to Return the Plan of james Fersons And Alexander Greggs Dispute and lodged at Towles

7th I arrived at Portsmouth about two of the clock in the Sessions put up my horse at Dwyers I lodged at Moses Nobles

8th I sit in the Sessions

9th james Ferson gave up the case the court allowed me 8 Dollars for my journey horse and Expenses this day in the afternoon I bot a set of Weights and Measures from Noah Parker for which I paid him 4-15-0 Lawful Money as pr his Rect to be Delivered at Exeter by the 10th of next may and I bot a New town book from Mr Appleton for which I pd him 12/ La: Mo: and a Set of Money Weights and Scales from sd Appleton for which I paid him 6/ La: Mo: and Gregg pd me 3½ Dollars with the Dollar he pd me ye 3d Instant made my pay for my takeing Depositions

10th Sabath day a great N: E: Storm of Rain

11th the Storm continued the same point very hard

12th the storm not quite so hard but the wind still high the same point and I Recd 8/ for my two days sitting in the sessions and I bot a horn comb and an Ivory comb from Mr McMasters and pd 12/2 bay old Tenor for them

13th the storm more abated and I set out after Dinner and arrived at Stratham and lodged at Mrs Chases

14th arrived at Robt McMurphys and lodged there

15th Arrived home after a tedious journey of Storm and Extream bad traviling

16th I did nothing but Examin my acct of Expences and Disbursements and some Receivings

18th john went to Londonderry and got 10½ Gallons of Molasses from Pinkertons and 2½ Quarts of Rum for which he paid 19/6 Lawful Money and he went and Lodged at his uncle Robts

19th his uncle Robt sent two boar pigs to us and he came home and brot the Mollasses and Rum with him and I went to McGalls and bot ½ £ of Ginger and 14 £ of Rice for which I paid him 24/1 bay old Tenor

20th my bror had my oxen to help him draw down two oak logs from his house to the mill and I went down and he took in four of his that lay at the Mill and We took in one oak and seven pine logs of mine onto the ways

23d I finished Entering and Examining the town affairs of the year 1770 in the New town book yesterday I writ a deed from james Caldwell of this town to Mathw Caldwells Decd children of his place in New boston and today he sent David Briant for it and sent us a present of two £ of butter or more and I charged nothing for the Deed and john cleaned up 8 bushell of Rie and got two sow pigs from my bror Samll yesterday

25th 1 paid Gan Riddell my bridge Rate being seven shillings and three pence three farthings Lawful Money and I went and bolted 2 loggs at the Mill

26th I had Martains and Thomas McLaughlins oxen and William McLaughlin and we drawed in 18 pine logs onto the ways at the mill and I went to Capt Barrons and McLaughlin and I got one order on Thos Boies for 1-17-4 La: Mo: and another on Samuell Vose for 1-10-0 and Capt Barron Recd an order on Thos Boies of 14/ and another on Samll Vose of 13/ and McLaughlin Received one on Samll Vose of 13/

27th was our Annual Meeting and I was chose second Selectman and Town Clerk and Sealer of Weights and Measures And they voted Mr Houston away sixteen Sabathday the Ensueing year

28th I went Among Some of the Inhabitants to have them attend the adjournment of the March Meeting next Monday and I brot hom two bushell of Indian Meal from Lieut Danll Moors being the last of the 12 bushell of Corn I had from Alexander and john Cleaned up 10 bushell of Rie

29th I new drawed a Supplication for a proprietors Meeting and two Notifications for a meeting to be held at the Meeting house on the 15th of April next

30th I carried an order that Daniel McKinney of Curries bush gave of 2½ Dollars on Daniell Quigg the 25th of Febr 1767 to jacob McQueads to give to George Orr to take it to McKinney to try to get the money but Orr was not at home and I left it with jacob McQuead to give to George Orr when he came home and I cleaned up 5 bushell of Rie in the afternoon

APRIL FIRST

in the forenoon I drawed at frameing the Articles among the partners of the forge and in the afternoon was the adjournment of our March Meeting which I attended and I paid Gan Riddell 18/ Bay old Tenor for a Gallon of Molasses had 2 or 3 years ago

2d I writ 2 deeds for Hugh Gregg of Newboston one for his son james

and the other for his son Alexander and charged nothing and in the afternoon I Recorded the March meeting Wart and part of the Votes and john cleaned up 8 bushell of Rie

3d I finished Recording and Examining the March meeting Wart and Votes and I went down to Martains and got him to sharp the point of my two iron Wedges

4th I went to Litchfield and got ½ bushell of flaxseed and ½ a bushell of peas from john Quig and he would not take pay for them untill afterwards and I paid 6 coppers of ferriage at Reeds and I got 2 £ of shugar at And ½ a gallon of Rum from McGall for which I pd him 177 Bay old Tenor

5th I allmost finished the Writings Relateing the forge I writ all day at them untill little before night

6th I finished the forge Writings and charged a Dollar unpaid and the boys finished thrashing our Rie

7th the boys cleaned up 8 bushell of Rie being the last and in the afternoon they picked some Cranburys and I morticed two of Sarah Pattens Table leggs and I turned them we have the old meal chest full and the long box on the back side of the chamber full Exceept about a bushell I suppos we have now about 37 bushell of Rie by us

8th I workt at the Table

10th I finished the Table and I mended a Coffie Mill of Samll Voses and we began to plow between the house and the new Log fence and by the new Cellar and Well and I went to McGalls and got 21 £ of Rice ½ £ of Tea and 2 £ of Shugar for which I paid him 3-3-6 bay old Tenor

11th & 12th I took all the Invoice of my half of the town exceept 3 mens

13th Capt Walker came and Gelded a large boar and two boar pigs for me and in the forenoon I workt at Makeing money of the Invoice and I got Martain to make a new link for the Chain of my Iron and shut two other links

15th I went to Capt Barrons and he agreed to change a bushell of Peas for Rie he brot them to me and I let him have two bushell of Rie and in the afternoon I went to a proprs Meeting of this town and I was chose with Capt Barron and james Vose a Commitee for leasing out the School lotts

16th Capt Barron james Vose and I went and I Run the north side the East end and south side of the school lotts and in the Evening we met at john Bells and jacob McQuead and Hugh and john Orr to lett out the school lotts but could not agree my expences at Bells was 4/ Bay O : T : and I paid 4/ Bay O : T : for james Vose there and I bot a Codfish from john Bell that weighd 3 £ and 10 ozs for which I paid him 5/10 Bay O : T :

17th I went and See Col Goffe who was come home from Court to hear news about our County affairs

18th WAS THE GENERAL FAST THROUGHOUT THE PROVINCE and our Mottle Cow Calved a bull Calf

19th I sowed about a bushell of peas and I writ a deed from john Clark to Ann Kennedy and I took the acknowledgement and charged 2/ Ann is to pay 1/ to her bror Wm for me for the acknowldgement and Clark owes

me 1/ for the writing the Deed which he promised to pay and I went to Lieut Daniel Moors Mill and took 2 bushell of Rie and 1½ bushell of Indian corn and got it ground and I had the Toal

20th I worked at makeing a new pair of Sighters for my Compass last night it snowed and this morning it was an inch or two deep it sleeted & rained together a little all day but did not consume

21st the snow melted away

22d I finished makeing the Sighters for my Compass in the morning and Thos Newman put a peice of a Strap to john McLaughlins Spade and I got ½ a bushell of Barley from Capt Barron to sow it was not well cleaned

23d I sowed the Barley I had of Capt Barron yesterday and john plowed it in and then Harrowed it and the peas over

24th I Run lines for David Moor and james Gillmor about the lott No 74 for David Moor and about Gillmors lotts in the 2d teire for Gillmor I Charged a Dollar unpaid our Bossey heifer Calved a Cow Calf last night

25th I went to james Caldwells and Did some writing for him and I went to Robt Morrials and Vendued his place and his sons and then I Vendued several articles for Robt Morrial and broke up Near three o Clock in the morning I charged 6/ La : Mo :

26th I went to Robt Alexanders and I got 10 £ of pork from him for which I paid him a Dollar and I got 3 £ of shugar and ½ £ of Tea and ½ £ of Ginger from Meins for which I paid him 1 : 17 : 6 Bay old Tenor

27th I writ a Deed for George Cowen from all Chandlers heirs exceept Zechariah for which he paid me 1/ La : Mo : and I went to Old Curriers and writ a bill of Sale and took the acknowledgement for which his son Samll ——— me 2/ Lawfull and I did some writing for jonath Currier for which he promised to pay me 1 £ La : Mo :

29th I writ a Deed for Lieut Little which he promised to pay me and I went to Lieut Daniel Moors and I took 1½ bushell of wheat and 2 bushell of Rie to his mill and got it ground and I went with him to Scobys and Run several of the lines and fixed the bounds of what he had from David Scobey and I did some writings for Mrs Hepper and Mr Kindrick brot us the preceipt for a Representative for Amherst & Bedford

30th I drawed a Wart for a meeting to be held at Amherst May 16th to Elect a Representative for Amherst and Bedford and Capt Barron and john Aiken came to my house and we drawed the warrants for the Surveyors of highways and in the afternoon we went to Deacon Boies to apprize the damages that john Wallace does him by flowing his Grass ground and to lay out the highway north of Wallaces but he would not leave off his Sawing to go with us and therefore we did not do it and I took the acknowledgement of two deeds one for David McCleary which he paid and the other for Samuell Terrill Senior unpaid

MAY FIRST

I writ a Deed from William Godfrey to james McGregore and I took the acknowledgement and charged 3 £ old Tenor and he Godfrey paid me 2–15–0 and 5/ old Tenor Remains and I writ a Deed from Col : Goffe to Ezekial Stevens

2d Cezar barron help me and we laid the bottom logs of our new fence and I sent David to john Bell and got a quart of Rum on Credit

4th I soled johns pums and Bob helped Zech: Chandler with our oxen to plow some land for to Sow flaxseed on for Susanna

6th My brors Samuell helped me to lay up at the new log fence and I got a quart of Rum from john Bell and I pd him for it and the quart I had the 2d Instant ¼ of a Dollar

7th I plowed for planting

8th I plowed and I let Matthew Little have 2 hundred of hay

9th I had one pair of my brors oxen from about 10 of the Clock till night to plow and I finished all but a land of five paces wide

10th I and Bob went with the oxen and Harrowed the ground that she has of Zech: Chandler to sow her flax seed on

11th we butchered our pig that we have been fatting this month or two he weighed 140 pound

13th I plowed the Ground for susannas flax seed and sowed it I sowed about 9 or ten quarts of seed and Bargained with Thos Hall for his Right in the new setting place for 28: 10: 0 old Tenor he owed me 25: 12: 8 on book which he allowed and I pd him ½ Dollar in money and almost a penny La: Mo: over and Jas Ferson pd me 10 Dollars being what he owed me for my service in his case and Alexander Greggs & I gave him two

14th I took his Quit Claim of his Share in the Setting Place and Haws sent us two pound of snuff that he brot from Boston I sent 1-2-8 Bay old Tenor with him for it the tenth Instant and Thos Newman Mended the Tang of my Dung fork and I began to furrow for planting corn

15th I finished furrowing there was a considerable Rain today

16th I with Divers of this towns people went to Amherst and I in conjunction with them chose Col: Goffe for our Representative I was chose Moderator and I bot 4 Musquash skins from my bror Samll for six pence La: Mo: and I pd him a Dollar and he gave me no change my Expences that I paid was 11s/ Bay old Tenor Col: Goffe treated bountyfuly and I came home in the night in company with my bror

17th I writ a letter to the Governor and Another to Isaac Rindge Esqr and Recorded the Warrant for the choice of a Representative and the Voters in the aftnoon Droped corn

18th I went to Col: Lutwyches and got an order from widow Parker of three Dollars to have for my services as surveyor in laying off her thirds and he Endorsed it on my Note to him the Remainder of the Note is to ly untill I Receive my Averidge out of Capt Parkers Estate And I came to McGalls and I bot 10 £ of Cotton and ½ Dr of Tea and ¼ of peper and 4 of Shugar for which I paid him 8-2-7 Bay old Tenor but I pd him 6s/ bay old Tenor over in a Mistake they came to 7-16-7 Bay old Tenr and the boys finished planting corn above the barn

20th I went to Col: Goffes with two letters one for the Governor and the other for Isaac Rindge Esqr and fitted for going to fish at Amoskieg

21st I had one pair of my Brors oxen and the boys plowed for Cow yards and I went to the falls and fished on the Island on Samll Richards Right & I got Six shad being the first I went to the falls this year

22d I got 9¾ £ of Iron from Newman and Martain made two Hook bolts for our fishing place between the Pulpit and Sullivans point and charged a shilling LA : MO : for makeing them

23d 24th & 25th I fished at the Falls

27th 28 & 29th john and I fished at the falls

30th I went with Major Goffe to job Dows in Goffestown and took 3 Depositions for him in his sons case with Sarah Marsh the charge unsettled and came from there a little before night to Thos Sherleys and took some Depositions for Alexander Gillcrist and Daniel McFarland and lodged at Gillcrists over night

31st took more Depositions for Gillcrist and McFarland I took 7 for Gillcrist and 5 for McFarland the charge unsettled and came by Samuell Kennedys and got a Rakoon skin that I bot from jos: Kennedy yesterday for which I paid him -1-5-0 Bay old Tenor

JUNE FIRST

What fish john and I have got from the falls this fish time is 124 or 126 and about 20 £ of Salmon and I went to the falls with Samll Richards and Thomas Miller set a Salmon pot on our setting place

3d I got 10 shad and a 20 £ Salmon for my part of what fish was in the pot we set on Saterday and john and I fished at the falls and we paid Hacket 14 shad I owed him and we sent hom 45 and half of a small salmon

4 and 5th I and john fished at the fall and got 4 Shad and 17 £ of Salmon these two days and came home in the Evening

6th jos: Farmer came in the morning and brot us an acct of Capt: Barrons Death and I went & Farmer and I made the Coffin and john got 5 shad of yesterdays divide that he did not get till today makes 90 shad this week

7th I attended the funeral of Capt Barron and I was one of the Under bearers

8th I went to Means and got 4 £ of Shugar and 6 yards of tape for which I paid 17/3 Bay old Tenor and I drawed a Wart for a town Meeting to be held the 24th Instant to chuse a Selectman in the Room of Capt Barron Decd and I got 447 Cabage plants from jos: Farmer and Thos: Miller and john took the Setting place last night and john got home 9 shad and 8 £ Salmon and he sold a 20 £ of Salmon

10th I got 2 shad by fishing and 12 Ells and I got 6 shad and ½ of a 20 £ Salmon out of the pot and I fished Ells the night following and I got 44 tow of which Hannah McAllen used by order and the boys began to Weed the corn

12th I fished at the Setting place on johns Right and I Got 49 £ of Salmon 1 shad and 3 Ells and I sold 11 ¼ £ of Salmon and I watched the Night following and I got 17 Ells for my Divide and about a 10 £ Salmon and 1 shad on the Watch and I got 5 shad from the company for a quart of Rum that we had that I pd and 4 Ells for a pint that I pd to Drink in the night and I gave Col: Goffe ½ of a 10 £ Salmon and a Shad and he gave us a Glass bottle full of Rum

14th I went to Lieut Patees to john Dow to Measure off job Dows land and tarried over night at john Dows Desire to try to Settle between him and his sons Abram and job about their joining their mill Dam to to his land and accomplished it in the Evening and next morning

15th I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for David Currier unpaid and I came home and john Dow paid me a Dollar for my time and pains with him

17th Thos Newman Made 20 horse nails for me I sett the fore shoes on my horse myself and john fished at the setting place and the other boys finished hoeing the potatoes and Col: Goffe swore me to my Acct: Against james Gordons Estate

16th I mended my pumps and I sent Bob to Lieut Daniel Moors mill with 2 bushell of Rie and one of Indian but got no meal it Rained some the afternoon and he got some Cabage and french turnips from Lieut Moor and james and my brors john got a considerable number of Cabage and french Turnip plants from Francis Barnett and Samuell Vose

19th I writ a conveyance of the privilege of a highway from Wm Henry to Hugh Ramsey and took the acknowledgement and took the acknowledgement of two deeds one from Ramsey to Henry and another from Henry to Ramsey for which I charged 4/ Lawful unpaid Ramsey promised to pay the whole and I went to Means and got 2 £ of loaf Shugar and a Quire of writing paper for which I pd him 3 pistereens and I came to Lieut Moors and got the meal home of the Grain Bob took there yesterday and I had the Toal

20th I writ a Deed from Fergus Kennedy to Nathll Patterson of the lott No 19 in the 8th Rang for which Kennedy paid me 1/ La: Mo: and I took the acknowledgement for Patterson charged 1/ La: Mo: unpaid and I sett out for Dunstable and I lodged at Capt Colburns

21st I settled my acct with Ovid Houston on Mr Gordons Estate which was 10-2-6 Bay old Tenor for my going to Monson in May 1770 preambulate the bounds of his land there I sent for an iron Squar and a pound of hard soap came to 1-5-6 and I got a Hat at 4-15-0 and a £ of Tea at 2 £ and 3 £ and three ozs of English steel at 14/2 and Recd 1-7-10 in cash made up my wholl Demand and I came home by Hollis and settled my note against Ebenr Farley and the cost of sueing and took a New Note for the whole being 2-10-2 La: Mo: and I came to Mr Fisks and paid him a Dollar which was 5/ Bay old Tenor more than I owed him for all he has Taned and Curried for me and there is two Calves both good ones that he had from me that I have had nothing for yet and I came home my Expences 18/3 Bay old Tenor

23d I went to Derryfield Meeting house and heard Mr Ward of Plymouth preach

24th Was a town meeting to chuse a Selectman in the Room of Capt Barron Decd and we chose Deacon Walker a Selectman in his Room and this was the day of the adjournment of the Proprs meeting of this town and Capt Barron who was the Moderator being Decd we thot it best to let the meeting Die and at some convenient time call a new meeting and in

the evening I writ 3 advertisements for Wm Barnett for the sale of Samll Turrills Oxen at john Bells the 3d of July next at 2 o Clock afternoon

25th I went and got Capt Invoice that he had taken and I took 3 £ and 7 ounes of Steel to Newman to put on the plow irons he is to make for me and I went to the falls and put 3 fishing poles two of them had bows on into Hugh McColleys chamber and I brot bow and pole and net home and a pole without

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JUNE 25 1771

26th I went and fished at the Setting place and got 15 £ of Salmon and I got one shad and two Ells toward a pint of Rum we had that I paid for to james Russ I fished in company with Wm Karr and Pope Thos james And I writ 4 advertisements for james Moor of Merrymac for the sale of his place that he had from his brother in Law David McCleary to be sold on the 18th of july next unpaid

27th I went and took all the Invoice that Capt Barron left untaken of his half of the town and finished exceept three and Exceeding Sultery hot day

28th I went to Matthew Littles and he signed the Deed to Nathanial Clark of the land I bot for Tax of Tuckermans and I took the acknowledgement and I took my brothers Invoice

29th I gave Nathll Clark the Deed of the land I bot for tax of Tuckermans and I took his note for 26¼ Dollars for it and I with the other selectmen bound out james and David Hanrick to Wm Caldwell and joseph Wallace

JULY FIRST

I paid Lydia Hepper a Dollar toward what I owe her husband and I went and Run lines for David McCleary of Merrymac and charged half a Dollar unpd and he paid me half a Dollar for his part of the writing about his father in laws Estate and I came by McGaws and got 4 £ of Shugar for which I paid him 16/ Bay old Tenor

2d I writ a Deed from Wm Godfrey to james McGregore I charged 2/ Lawfull unpd and I went in the afternoon to Col: Goffes and Writ several Depositions for Ceazar Barron on acct of what his Master said on his Death bed concerning his freedom and Col: Goffe and I took them in perpetuam and Ceazar mentioned he would pay me for my trouble and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from Col: Goffe to Ezekl Stevens unpd

3d I with the other selectmen went out on New Boston Road and Altered Several places in it & made a New Division of it and I took Samuell Morrisons Invoice and I cut a Walnut Stick for Rake bows

4 & 5th I did no great I shaved some Staves for a tub and pails and Sunned Rie and took 2 bushell of Rie and 2 Indian corn to Lieut Daniel Moors Mill

6th I Divided the boards with Goffe that he sawed for me this last spring I have 211 boards in No and I gave Daniell McFarland Notification to Thos English to hear some Evidences swore at Capt Karrs on the 13th Instant at two of the Clock afternoon and I lent my bror Betty a pistereen and sent another with her mother to Derry for two Milk pans

8th john and I went and measured the boards that I had of my part at the mill I had 3930 feet Mill Measure and we got two Stocks and a half more that measured 748 feet that I took makes 4678 feet in all and I let Thos Newman have 2080 feet of them and We Sticked up 1300 feet for my own Use and We found about Rope to go on one side of the flynet Martain found the nett and the Rest of the rope and I found about 12 corks and a number of leads to put on his part of ye Ropes and we hauled but got nothing

9th I went and Run the lines of the lott that Ann Kennedy bot from john Clark I charge 4/ La: Mo: unpaid

10th I went to Amherst to Vendue Daniell McMurphys place in Hillsborough but there was no person appeared to purchas and there was no Vendue and I got 3 copers worth of snuff from john Wilkins and left that at about Midnight and came home and brot 4 bushell of Meal from Lieut Daniell Moors Mill the Grain was taken there last week and john and Stephen French for Martain catched 3 Salmon the weighed we supposed about 30 weight Martain had 3 or 4 pound more than I had

11th I Sunned 4 bushell of Rie and shaved some Bottoms for pails

12th I writ a Summons and a Notification for Major Goffe to take some affidavits in his son Samll case on Next Wednesday at Col: Goffes at 10 o Clock

13th I went to Capt Karrs to take Depositions for Alexander Gillcrist and Daniel McFarland and finished about midnight and came home and Esqr Walker assisted and Swore me in their case concerning Thomas English offering me a pistereen when I was going to take Depositions for McFarland and Gillcrist last May

15th I went to Fishing in the Morning and Martain and French hald before I went and catched two Salmon I had ½ of one of them and Martain had 1½ which with what he had more than me this year before makes him up even with what I had more than him last year and we got one in the Evening that weighed 12½ £ and I had it

17th I went at Matthew McDuffies Desire and Measured 33 acres off the North side of Samll Turrils land to Satisfie an Execution to David McCleary of 19–15–6 and 14 acres to sd McDuffie to satisfie an Execution to him of 8–5–11 john Holland attended as the Sheriff the Apprizers were Robt Walker james Little and Samll Vose the Sheriff told me that Mr Atherton is to pay me And I went about Dusk to Col: Goffes and Drawed 3 Depositions for Major Goffe in his son Samuells case and got home at day brake unpd

18th in the forenoon I writ the Caption on the Majors Depositions that I took last night and on the Depositions I took for Daniell McFarland last Saterday and I went in the afternoon to Ann Kennedys and took her acknowledgement to a Quit Claim to her fathers Estate to her bror Samll for which he gave me a pistereen and I went and Vendued james Moors place that he had from his bror in law David McCleary and I too took the acknowledgement of a Deed for Samll Gibson junr for which he gave me a pistereen and would not have any change

19th I coppyd the Depositions I took for Major for him and Delivered

the Depositions and the coppys to Sam^{ll} Goffe and my bror Samuells Affideavit and Caption which I took yesterday for the Majr all unpd

20th I went to Goffes town after my Oxen but did not get them and I went to Capt Karrs and got my penknif that I left there on the 13th when I was takeing Depositions for Alex^{r} Gillcrist and Daniell McFarland and I had ½ a Mug of Tody on C^{r} and my wife went to Pinkertons and paid five Dollars for severall articles

22^{d} I went after my Oxen to Goffes town and got them home about Sun down after a very great fateague and Martain and I got a Salmon and he divided it in halves and john and jamey began to Mow in the Meadow at home and I got a Sett of breaking plow irons from Thos Newman that weighed 46 £ john Gillmor made them on Newmans acct and the boys began to Mow in the Meadow at home being ye first

23^{d} I tried to plow but the ground was so dry that I could not and Newman altered the point of my plow shear

24th I fitted up six Rakes for myself and I put two new head on to old Stails of john Thomas for him

25th I began to make pails and I James Moor and David McCleary came and I writ two note for the price of james place and james paid me a Dollar for my writing the advertisments And Vendueing his place and the notes today and I went to Widow Barrons at Moses desire and with Capt Walker and Mr Solomon Hutcheson began to apprize Capt Barrons Estate

26th Stephen French and I got two salmon Martain had one that weighed 12¼ £ and I got the other that weighed 9 £ and 15 ounces and I worked at makeing pails

27th I workt and pails and finished 4 two large ones and two small ones all but the beals

29th Martain got a Salmon that weighed 11 £ which made him up with what I was ahead of him and I began a small tub

30th finished the tub allmost

31st I finished the tub and was hindered the most part of the day and Martain and I got a Salmon that weighed 11 pound and we divided it

AUGUST FIRST

Split and Shaved some Hoops for a Washing tub

2^{d} I attended the funeral of William White junrs Wife who Departed this life yesterday morning about Sun Rise she was brot to bed the middle of last week of a Daughter

3^{d} the boys began to Reap in the feild by my brors they Reaped five stook

5th and 6th the boys and I Reaped in the field by my brors and finished it we have 24 stooks in this year and we Reaped 7 Sheaves above the Barn

7th we Carted in the Rie out of the field by my brors and we Reaped 7 stooks and 10 sheaves and it came on a Smart Rain that prevented our working the Afternoon on the 5th Susannah went to Meins and Got ½ a £ of Tea and a Gallon of Rum and some other articles that she paid a Dollar of my money and almost a Dollar of her own

8th We finished Reaping our Rie we had 19½ stooks in the field by the barn and we have 43½ stooks of Rie in all this year and Martain and I got a Salmon that weighed upwards of 26 £ by hauling on the outside of Goffe and McLaughlin and we borrowed a salmon from them that weighed 8½ £ and gave it to James Patterson

9th I spent the day in fitting the fly nett I took it off the Ropes and turned a new peice into the Middle and tyed it on again and the boys finished Reaping our Winter Wheat which was very much blasted we had stook

10th I podgered at Some trifling things

12th I began to Mow in the little meadow I began in the Governor lott and Deacon Moor came and Mowed in it with me he forbid me and I forbid him and we cutt 4 or 5 cocks on it

13th We raked it together and got off the hay

16th my brors Samuell & john mowed with us at the little Meadow and Wm Caldwell mowed with us in the afternoon and my jamey and Bob Raked for him the afternoon for it

17th We Raked up 64 cocks of what we mowed yesterday

19th Matthew Little sent Bob Morrow to help us and we finished mowing all but some pickings among the bushes in the Governor lott and Raked 22 cocks of what was Mowed the 16th on the 13th Lieut Daniel Moor sent me about 3 jills of Rum and on the 14th jamey went to Means and got 1½ Gallon of Rum

20th I brot home a load of Hay from the Meadow being the first I carted home this year and john Thrashed at our peas

21st hauled home two load of hay

22d 23d & 24th William Caldwell hauld hay for me with his 4 oxen and Cart he hauld 7 load in the 3 days he hauld 84 cocks and I hauled 69 cocks these 3 days with my oxen and horse my near ox proved lame the last day and half in his off fore foot he was Exceeding lame so that he could scarce move the night and day following and Inclined to ly constantly the hay we got home finished all exceept 10 cocks and the pickings among the bushes in the Governor lott which is yet to mow

26th I went and see james Pattersons Calves but did not come to any agreement

27th 28th and 29th was at Londonderry at Robert Mack and Alexr McAllesters Referance about their land old Mrs McAllester sent a Check linen handkercheif a present to my wife and in the afternoon as I was coming home I was swore at Col: Goffes before him for Robt Smith in his case with Robt Fulton and I attended at the Col: on Dartmouth meeting but did no business at the meeting

30th I got two bushell of Rie ground at Col Goffes mill

SEPTEMBER 2d

was a town meeting to chuse a jureyman and we chose Robert Walker a Grand jureyman and we Drawed john Bells name to serve as petit jury man at the Superiour on the 2d Tuesday of this Instant at Amherst being

the first jurey man we ever sent to any Court and is the first Court in the County since the Province was Divided into Countys

3d I Drawed a long acct for William Nutt on his mothers Estate I charged 1/6 La: Mo: unpaid and I went and Run the line between Samll and James Vose in their formerly Dispute I charged them half a Dollar and each of them promised to pay me in equal halves and I came home by Thomas Boies and he paid me a Dollar and 4/8 La: Mo: I alowed him for 6 £ of pork my wife had from his wife in the year 1766 which with the Dollar I Recd made ballance of my order on him as a Constable over and above my Rates which was Discounted in my order being 1-6-8 La: Mo:

4th I writ a long warttee Deed and a quit claim of Thos Murdoughs Inheritance to Hugh Orr and I sent john to Means and he got ½ £ of tea 4 £ shugar and 2 qt of Rum for which he paid the dollar I got of Thos Boies yesterday

5th 6th and 7th the other 2 Selectmen met at my house and we worked at makeing the Rates but did not finish

9th John Aiken came in the morning and he and I finished and then I went with Lieut John Little and run Round the 3d Division No 123 and I Run on the north side of George Hadleys home lotts and the East line of Littles was half Hadleys what I did for hadley cleared what I was behind on acct of a bushell of Corn I had from him last faul and littles part is unpd And he promised me his Right in the new Setting place and I agreed to have it but we made no price

10th I butchered our Coss sheep and was hindered almost all or quit the forenoon with companey

11th We got out the last of our Indian corn we have two bushell and about ¾

12th 13th & 14th I was apprizeing Capt Barrons Estate

16th john Gillmor sett the shoes on my Horses fore feet and I went and Run the lines of No 9 in the 5th Rang on the south side of Piscataquog River for him

17th & 18th and 19th I workt at makeing my breaking up plow

20th My Jamey & bob brot the steer and heifer calf from Jamey Patterson and I finished makeing the wood work of my plow

21st Thomas Newman made 13 £ of plates of his Iron for my plow one was an old Toe Iron and he made poles in some old Cart Grips and old hoes of mine and 75 nails he charged a Dollar

23d I had jamey Vose and his Oxen and My Bror Samll four oxen and Widow Barrons old Oxen helping me to break up we were hindered with the plow and the Ground was dry so that we could not plow we did not go over more than ½ an acre and was a Town meeting to chuse a Grand jury man for the Session and petit juror and 2 petit jurors for the Inferiour Court in October next and I was hindred near half the day with that affair

24th I writ a Deed for pope Thomas Karr to Capt Karr of his place which Capt Karr is to pay as he says and Alexr Stewart came to our house in the Evening to make shoes

26th 27th I did no great of business but made some heels the 27 I helped Newman to new model my new plow shear

28th I went to Moses Barrons in Amherst to prize at some of the personal Estate of his fathers and Alexr Stewarts went home he has made four pair since he came to work this week

30th I went and got my plough irons fitted off and the boys got in corn

OCTOBER

1st we all husket 20 baskets of corn

2d Susanna went to Hugh Greggs in New boston to Weave a piece of cloath for our selves and john went with her and the other boys and I husked out the Remainder of what corn we got in on last monday

3d we got in the last of our corn

4 and 5th we finished Husking our Corn we had 99 of our baskets full this year I suppose 3 baskets full will make 2 bushel

7th I went to Amoskieg and Veiwed about fixing to Set a salmon pot and the boys began to Dig potatoes and my Wife went to Thomas Wallaces and got a bushel of Onions from him on Credit and she went Meins and got ¼ of tea four or five needles and a little snuff in all to the amount of ¼ of a Dollar and she paid the money

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on the fourth I got a hind quarter of my bror Samll Bull it weighed £ on credit and Wm Barnett Gelded two boar pigs and a Calf for me

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and on the 1st or 2d I writ two pair of indentures for john Bell of his childer Jennie Conn had by him the charge 4/ to be settled in our acct

from the 7th to the 12th no Great of business on I put a New Mould bord on my Breaking up plow and john split Indian hills and Thomas Newman finished fitting my breaking up plow irons

14th I spent the day on the forge mens acct with Capt Chamberlin trying to Settle their Diferance but could not Martain and Newman is to pay me a Dollar for my day and Goff & McLaughlin paid Capt Chamberlin

15th I had William Barnett and his oxen and john McLaughlins Majr Goffs Zachariah Chandlers and Mrs Barrons oxen helping me break up and my jamey Dig potatoes for William Barnett

16th Wm Barnett came with his oxen but Zachariah Chandler would have his oxen and Disappointed us that we could not break up and jamey Dig potatoes for Wm Barnett

17th I had William Barnett and his oxen and James Voses john McLaughlins James Martains and Mrs Barrons oxen breaking up

18th had Wm Barnett and his oxen and James Voses John McLaughlins Thos McLaughlins and Widow Barrons oxen breaking up

19th I had James Voses Thomas McLaughlins Matthew Littles James Martains and widow Barrons oxen breaking up

21st I had Wm Barnett and his oxen and james Vose and Matthew Littles Thos McLaughlins and one pair of my bror Samlls oxen helping me break up

22d We got out 4 bushell and about 10 or 12 quarts of corn and I went to Lieut Moors mill with it but did not get it Ground

23d I went to mill and got 2 bushell ground of what I took to mill yesterday

24 & 25 & 26th we Diged our potatoes and finished them and in these days we finished Spliting our Indian hills and and on the 24th I lent my horse to Samll McFarland to Londonderry he Did not Return untill the 26th at night he brot us a bottle of Snuff from john Pinkerton on Credit Mr Hepper came to make up a Suit of Cloths for john on the 24th

28th I butchered a lamb a smal one

29th I went to job Dows to Mill and took two bushell of Indian and 1½ bushel of Rie and got them Ground and the Rie I got bolted is the first Rie I got ground of this years Crop and makes ten bushell of new Indian there is two of the ten lys at Lieut Moors Mill unground for want of water

30th I sent a line to job Dow to pay my bror Samll some money and I cleaned up 1¾ bushell of Barley and I went to Means and got 4 £ of Shugar and ½ £ of Tea on credit

31st I went to job Dows to Run Round the land I sold in Goffestown last faul and I took 2 bushell of Corn with me and lodged there that night

NOVEMBER FIRST

I run at the lines of the land

2d I finished about 11 o Clock and then I planed the River through the land and Esqr Dow pd me 30 Dollars and job paid me 30⅓ which with five Dollars he paid my bror on the 30th ult made his part he was to pay me at this payment and I got the corn Ground and came home at night

4th my wife let my brors Wife have a Dollar and I bot a bushell of Salt from Hugh Orr and paid him 30/ Bay old Tenor for it

5th I paid Stephen French 3/1 bay old Tenor for a musquash Skin I had from him last spring

6th I sent Thos Wallace four pistereans by Susey for a bushell of Onions I had from him the 7th of last Octr

7th I paid Mathw Little two Dollars on a note and a pistereen of Intrest the Intrest came to near about ¼ of a Dollar but he would take no more

8th I broke up and had Benjn McAllester and his fathers 4 Oxen and john McAllasters oxen and my brors 4 oxen

9th I had Benj McAllester and his fathers 4 oxen and john McAllaster and Mr Turrills and Widow Barrons oxen helping me break up and we finished and I gave Benj two pistereens to himself

11th I took two bushell of corn and two of Rie to Lieut Moors Mill and got them Ground and went to Hugh Ramsays and fitted his horse Cart

12th I set out for Boston and got to Billerica and lodged at Pollards

16th I got a Side of Sole leather from Pollard on Credit it weighed 14 £ but he charged only 13¾ at 8/ pr £ came to 5-10-0 bay old Tenor I bot 1-7-0 bay old Tenor worth of things at Gordons on Credit And I bot at Boston a number of article that and my Expenses amounted to 83-4-4 Bay Old Tenor and I Droped a Dollar of the Money I took with me but does not know where

18th I paid my brors Wife 1-8-0 bay old Tenor she sent 5 £ and 6 ounces

of butter with me I sold it at 5/ pr £ it came to 1–6–0 so that I paid her ½ bay old Tenor over it happened so in the change

19th I butchered the Ox I had from my bror Samuell he weighed 469 £ of beaf and 81 of a hide and 26½ £ of Tallow I had the choice to take him at 18 Dollars or the beaf at 16½ pence per £ and the hide and Tallow at 18 pence pr £ and we butchered one of our Sows she weighed 170 £ and Wm Barnett Butchered for me and john went after we Dressed them and got pine for Barnett the Rest of the Day

20th I took home Hugh Ramsays horse Cart and near four pound of sheeps Wool she sent 7 £ and 10 Ounces of Butter with me to Boston for it which brot 1–18–1 ½ Bay old Tenor & while I was gone to Boston last week my oxen worked two days for Thomas McLaughlin

21st WAS THE GENERAL THANKSGIVEING

22d I went to McKinneys about the Road on the North side of his land and came home by Wylies to speak to jenny to come and Spin Wool at our house

23d I paid my bror Samll 18 Dollars for the Ox I had from him the 19th and I went to Lieut Daniel Moors mill and took 3 bushel of Indian corn and I had the toal and john helped james Martain

25th john and jamey worked at the bridge by Majr Goffes and I spent the day with Capt Walker at Widow Barrons to apprize the Estate but Mr Hutcheson did not come and Alexr Stewart and Eliphalet Duston came to our house to make shoes

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on the 23d I gave jonathan Lyon a bushell of corn for a horse Collar I had from him three or four year ago or more and I gave him near a peck for an old horse collar I had from him the same year I had the new one from him

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26th I with Capt Walker and Mr Hutcheson was appriseing Capt Barrons lands

27th was foul weather

29th we were on the same business of apprizeing and we lay at Moses Barrons

30th was foul Weather and we came home

DECEMBER

2d 3d 4th and half of the 5th was on the business of apprizeing Capt Barrons Estate and finished his land

6th was a Storm of snow it fell 5 or 6 inches Deep and I worked all day from breakfast till night a Drawing the Inventory of Capt Barrons Estate but did not light candle at it

7th a pleasant day and the boys got wood

8th Capt Walker and I attended at Widow Barrons in order to Draw Capt Barrons Inventory but Mr

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A DAYBOOK CONTINUED FROM JANY 9th 1772

13th I sent to Lieut Moors Mill and got 1½ bushell of Rie Ground and I had the toal

17th I had my brors Martains and Thomas McLaughlins oxen and Drawed timber and Mr Timothy Favour came and paid me 35⅔ Dollars on his Note

18th I sent 4 bushell of corn to Lieut Moors mill and I had the Toal and jacob Hepper finished makeing jacoats for the boys &c and I paid him all that I owed him being 8–14–6 Bay old Tenor and 5 and six pence over

29th I went to Amherst and Col Goffe and Major Hobart Qualified on a justice of the Peace and I gave them a Dollar and another to the Clerk and sit in the Sessions

30th & 31st Sat in the Sessions

FEBRUARY FIRST

my expences was 4/ Lawful Mo and I got a quart of Brandy from Landlord Hildreth for which I pd 12/6 bay old Tenor I keept at Hildreths and I came home

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On the 25th of Janr john went to Derry and paid john Pinkerton for things he got there and a bottle of snuff Samll McFarland brot me last faull 3 and two-thirds Dollars or thereabouts

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3d jeny Wiley went home she has been her 4½ weeks her wages came to 11/3 La : Mo : and I pd her 10/ of it

4th I sent 3 Dollars by john MacMurphy to Capt Shirley and I and Capt Walker and Mr Hutchison finished apprizeing Capt Barrons Estate and Returned the Inventory to the judge

6th I had my brors Matthew Littles Thos McLaughlins Martains and my brors odd ox and Zachs and hald a large Stem post stick to the River my bror had my oxen in the forenoon

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On the 29th of january john Workt for Martain

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30th john and my oxen worked for Martain

8th I had john McLaughlin and Martains oxen and we hauld 3 sticks that had 4¾ tun in them

10th I writ a deed from William McDugal to Samuell Vose of his place in Goffestown I charged 2/ for the Deed and acknowledgement each to pay a shilling both unpaid and we haled home 5 load of wood

11th I got my broad ax upsett by john jameson and we butchered our 2 pigs one weighed 120 and the other weighed 150

12th & 13th Exceeding cold in these two days we hewed a stick and haled 2 to the crotch of the paths with our own oxen

14th fell a snow of four inches deep and john jameson new tempered my broad ax and I went to Hugh Moors for my Wifes Wheel that was there to be mended he made a new Rim and Standards and hub and

spools temper pinn and foot and charged 8–16–0 Hamp old Tenor he abated the 15/ and I pd him a Dollar and I owe him 40/ old Tenor yet for want of makeing change

15th I borrowed 2 bushell of Rie from my bror Samll and sent it and 2 bushell of my own corn to Lieut Moors mill and I had the Toal there fell a snow of 4 or 5 inches deep this day

18th I had Martains Oxen and we hauled 3 sticks to the River they had 3½ Tun

19th I went to the Sessions in Amherst Lodged at Hildreths

20th Attended the Sessions and I bot a gallon of Molasses from Baldwick and paid him 15/ for it and I got 3 Quire of Paper and a Quart of Brandy and 1/10 worth of Snuff from Cutler for which I paid him 4¼ Bay old Tenor I was 27/ of Expences at Smiths and 25/ at Hildreths what I laid out for things and Expences at Amherst this time is 5–8–4 Bay old Tenor and it came on a Rain and Capt Walker and I came to Capt Allds and lodged over Night

21st I came home and Esqr Blodget and I spent the afternoon at my house

22d I went to john Bells and had a mug of flipp and paid him for it and what I owed him besides for shugar and 6 £ and 10 ozs of potash and I sett up an Advertisment at his house for a proprietors meeting of Souhegan-East to be held at Col Goffes next Fryday at ten o Clock forenoon and I went to Meins and pd him 15/ bay old Tenor for an oz of Sinemon that I had from him on Credit and I got a pound of Tea a 36/ and 4 £ of Shugar a 16/ and a paper of ink powder a 6/ and ⅓ worth of snuff from him & and paid him the money for them all and I set up another advertisment for the proprs meeting

24th I went to Col Goffes and Drawed a Transcript of the common in Goffes town at Catemount brook to john Wentworth Esqr Right charged 6/ unpd

25th I Recorded the transcript of the land to Mr Wentworths Right and Recorded at the town accts and Drawed my acct agt the town a hard Snow and Hale storm from the North East

26th john went to Lieut Moors mill with 2 bushell of Indian corn & 2 of Rie the Rie was toled & I had the toal of the corn

27th the boys finished thrashing our wheat and I went and brot home a little wood

28th I had my brors oxen and we took the Stick to the River of 44 feet it was 38 feet long and I went to Col Goffes to a proprs Meeting of this town we did nothing but chose my bror Moderator and adjourned the meeting to the 18th of March next at john Orrs at ten of the Clock in the forenoon

29th the boys cut the fenceing stuff on the cleared land above the house and Mr Hepper went home at the middle of the day he has been here 5½ days

MARCH FIRST

being sabathday I heard Mr Ward of Plymouth preach at Col Goffes

2d I met the other selectmen at Deacon Walkers and we examined

joseph Scobey and james Caldwell on their Collections of Rates and they gave their note for the ballance in their hands and we Examined Thos Boies on his collection and he pd us an 8 Dollar peice of gold and and Mr Caldwell pd us in Silver and Coppers 2-6-2 La : Mo : and the money and Notes we left in Deacon Walkers hands and we finished drawing the March meeting Wart and I staid at the Deacons over night and we Gave Mr Houston his order for 36-18-5-3 Lawful

3d We Drawed of who were Voters & our own orders and Aiken and I came off after Dinner and john and the oxen helped Martain to Draw logs to the River

4th I went and the boys and helped to Rais the Forge anew

5th Thore fell the Deepest Snow that fell this Winter att one times falling it was a foot deep

6th was a very high wind and I broke a path from Martians to the wood and home

7th the boys and I got home five load of wood and Mr Heper made a pair of Breeches for jamey

9th Mr Heper went away after mending the button holes of my new coat snowed this day

10th I went to Robt Alexanders and gave him 7⅓ Dollars for Rie and I got 4 bushell of it and james Piper brot it on his sled to Lieut Moors mill and I had the Toal and I had 4 Darning nedles and a jill of Rum from Means for which I paid him 4 Coppers

11th A heavy Storm of snow from the N : E :

12th I fitted some at makeing a Washing tub and I Drawed a Complaint and Warrant from William Arrowin against Petter Currier for his abuseing his Wife & 3 subpenas charged 3/ 4½ unpaid

14th I went to john Bells and held the Court between Wm Arrowin and Peter Currier and I adjourned the Court untill the first day of next April at one of the Clock in the afternoon

16th I finished makeing a Washing Tub for our Selves I made it Sett work and I got Stuff for one of the hoops from my bror Samll

17th I fited some staves and a bottom for a small tubb of Cedar

18th I went to john Orrs to the proprietors meeting of this town by adjournment from Col Goffes and no propr attending only my bror who was Moderator and john Bell we adjourned the meeting farther to the 25th Instant to john Bells at five o Clock afternoon and I paid john Bell 4/1 bay old Tenor for a bowle of tody

20th was a N : E : Storm of Snow and blowed very hard and I went to james Pattersons and began to Draw his mother and his sister Esthers Depositions concerning Mr Houston and james and Tarried over night

21st I workt all day and got it finished a while before night and I got a quart of Rum from john Bell for which I pd him ½ a pistereen and he says I owe him a Copper yet of it

23d I borrowed 4 meal bags from my bror and I went to Robt Alexanders and I got 17½ bushell of Rie filled into bags I borrowed two from him and I brot 4½ bushell in my own bags to Lieut Moors Mill and got it Ground and I had the Toal and came hom after night very bad traviling and I was very much tired

24th I hewed the oake stick that we fell by where Currier layed his logs there is 54 feet in it and john went to Alexanders and got 4 bushell of Rie and Lieut Moors team brot it and 13 bushell I left there yesterday in 6 bags to his mill and john brot home 4 bushel of it in meal in carrieing the grain from Alexanders to the mill one of my brors bags got tore by a little pine by the side of the path that we lost 4 or 5 Quarts of Rie

25th I went to james Pattersons and Colonel Goffe came there and he and I took old Mrs Pattersons and Esthers Depositions that I Drawed last Fryday and Saterday in perpetuam and I went from there to the Meeting house to the March meeting and was chose Clerk and first Selectmen and after the town meeting I went to john Bells to the proprietors meeting Meeting of this town and after that was over I came home and john went to Lieut Moors and brot home 4 bushell of Meal of the Rie I had from Alexander

26th I Went and took the most of the Invoice on the River rang

27th I went to Col Goffes and james Vose to Draw a lease of the privilege of building a Saw mill on the School lotts with jacob McQuead and john Orr and we made a Draft of the lease our Expences att the Col is charged to the proprietors and john got home the last of the rie I had from Robert Alexander this week and 1½ bushell of our own I have had 21½ bushell of Rie from Alexander this week seven bushell I pd him for the 10th Instant and I owe him yet for 14½ bushell I have had 25½ bushell from him in all 11 bushell of which I paid him the 10th Instant and I have had the Toal of it all from Lieut Daniel Moor

28th the boys split some pine wood and I workt at pails and my bror Samll and Major Goffe Maclaughlin and Newman and I hired one Mr Stillman for a month to keep school and Martain joins the wages to be the same of Mr Sands

30th I workt at pails and the childer went to school to the amount of 5 scholars the whole day

31st I had 6 at school all day and I went to mr Joseph Dows and got 1½ bushell of Salt towards what he owes me and I took part of the Invoice on the barnetts and Wallaces row and Samll Voses

APRIL 1st

I went to john Bells and gave judgement in Arrowins and Peter Curriers case I gave it in Curriers favour and I alowed him 6/9 coasts and I had my brors 4 oxen and a pair of major Goffes and a pair of Martains and my brors Samuell and john and him hauld an Oak stick to the River of 54 feet in it It was 41½ feet long

2d WAS THE GENERAL FAST THROUGHOUT THE PROVINCE

3d to Drawing the lease to jacob McQuead of the privilege of building a Saw mill on the School lott and Quit claims from them of said lotts charged 4/

4th john Workt for Mr Martain and I sett up two pails and then I went to Mr Caldwells and Mrs Caldwell gave me 3 £ and 6 ounces of flax and young Mrs Caldwell gave me 4 £ 10 ounces and Wm Caldwell sold me 6¾

of flax and I did not pay him for it and Master Stillman came to board at our house

7th Col Goffe and james Vose and I met at my brors with jacob McQuead and we signed the lease to them the privilege of building a mill on the School lotts

8th I went to Means and a pound of Tea from Mr Alexanders wife of his for which I pd her 4 pistereens and I got half a bushell of white Beans from Moses Vickere of which I pd him a pistereen by Running Lines in the Great Meadow in the year 1770

9th I went to Amherst to the Sessions an exceeding heavey Storm of Rain from the N : E :

10th to attending the Sessions and sett out and came to Lovejoys and lodged there over Night the brooks was very high

11th I swore Hugh Ross to his acct book for which Lovejoy gave me a pistereen my Expences to and at Amherst this journey was 7/ Lawful and came home about one or two o Clock

13th I got john jamison to make a shoe for my ox brooken hoaf and pair of New shoes for my horses fore feet and Nails to Set the horses shoes and he began to mend an andiron that was broke that has lain there several months but did not finish it and james Moor came to Give his Invoice to me to be Rated in Bedford

14th I went to Alexanders and I got two bushell of Rie from his Wife of the Quantity I am to have of him and I got a horse Collar from Means on Credit

15th I sowed some peas maybe about 3 pecks

16th a Considerable Rain

17th I set out to go to Hails town on acct of a Number of men that Resqued a prisioner from the High Sheriff on last Wednesday morning and Abuseing the Sheriff and cuting one of his horses Ears off the Malitia was Raised and Sent up they went up yesterday and I went within a few Rods of john Smiths in Goffestown and I met the high Sheriff & a number more comeing home and I turned about and came home and john jameson set the shoes on my horses fore feet that he made the 13th Instant and I writ seven letters at the desire of the high Sheriff to several persons or 9 of them in Goffestown on acct of the foreging Disturbance this week

18th I went to Deacon Walkers and took with me a bushell and near 3 quarts of Winter Rie with me and got it changed for Spring Rie and he let me have a bushell more than I am to carrie him the Winter Rie for it and I brot it home and Sowed it and I went to Means and I got ½ a Gallon of West India Rum and two Coppers woth of snuff for which I paid him 15/9 Bay old Tenor

20th A Storm of Snow and Hail from the N : E : and I got two links shut in one side of the horse Tresses and one in a Draft chain

21st I went to Macgregores Shop in Goffestown and I got 4 £ of Shugar for which I paid two pistereens and john took a Stick to Major Goffes sawmill 10 feet long and got it sawed into boards to make Salmon pots and Split a peice that came of the End of it to make two sides for a harrow

22d john went and paid Deacon Walker the bushell of Rie that I had from him the 18th Instant and got another bushel changed with him and 2 bushell changed with james Aiken

23d I finished makeing a harrow for myself

24th Majr Goffe and my bror Samll and I Measured what plank I had at the mouth of the brook there was 395 feet of them and Nathll Clark came and paid me 17⅔ Dollars toward his note and I went to Wm Nutts and left with Daughter for my part of Twine on Wm Morrows Right in the scene one Dollar and a pistereen

26th I sowed about 1½ bushell of Rie and then I Went to the bridge by Majr Goffes to work at it and got dismist in the afternoon to help my bror Samll to roll in his timber at the Col Ferry and I settled with Majr Goffe for his sawing for me plank and boards and he still has the plank at the mouth of the brook that we Measured yesterday and then he fell in Debt to me the sawing of 1970 feet of boards in which was Reckoned 500 feet of boards that the Majr was to pay me on john Clogstons acct

27th I worked at the highway by Zech Chandlers and john went to Thos Boies and got 3 pecks of spring Rie for Winter Rie

28th I finished sowing the field before the house I sowed near 6 bushell on it and Willm Nutt came and Informed me that the partners in his seene would not buy the Twine but would make it themselves and he brot me 8 pound of flax from Derry cost 4 pistereens and he Returned me two pistereens of the money I left at his house the 24th to buy the Twine and I went to his house and got the 8 £ of flax and I went to Robt Alexander and I paid him seven Dollars toward the Rie I had from him and I got a loaf of Shugar from Means of 9 £ 10 ounces weight at 7/ Bay old Tenor pr £ on credit it came to 3–7–4 Bay old Tenor and I got two coppers worth of snuff for which I paid the money

29th I writ a letter to our school master and I writ two Deeds for our james Patterson one to Thomas Maclaughlin and the other to David Moor and I took the acknowledgements and We Settled with our School master and I paid my bror Samlls part and mine they both came to 13/ Lawful I sent 128 days and Samll sent 65 days

30th I with the other Selectmen went to lay out a Road to Amherst and lodged at Hugh Orrs

MAY FIRST

We finished laying out the Road and a peice of another (viz) from Murdoughs by john Aikens as far as beyond the little meadow place on Macdugal meadow branch of the brook

2d I went to Londonderry and paid Alexander Stewart 5½ Dollars for his makeing 18 pair of shoes for me last faul and I Returned him a pair of thick Calf skin pums he made for myself but they did not Suit me for which he is to make me a pair of his own leather and bring them to me next week

4th was our march meeting by adjournment which I attended

5th john Dinsmore made me a pair of thick Shoes he owed me 39/ Hampr old tenor towards the makeing of them I borrowed the sole Stuff of my bror Samll and David Moor paid me 10/ Bay old Tenor toward what

he owes me and I got a quart of Rum from Newman and half a mug of tody and I gave his wife the 8th of a Dollar and I began to knit at Wm Nutts twine

6th & 7th I knit at Nutts Twine on the 7th David Moor brot me 8/ La: Mo: for two days attending the Sessions since I was Qualified

8th I sowed 3 pecks of flax seed that john got from Deacon Walker on the 6th Instant for which he paid 4/6 Lawful and on the 6th Mr Martain had bob and my oxen and breaking plow the forenoon helping him and I sowed some barley S: W: of the barn and I finished knitting Nutts Twine and Cast on my own Twine

9th I knit at my own Twine

10th Our Tansey Cow Calved a Cow Calf we looked for her but did not find her

11th we found her and her Calf and got them home in the morning

12th I sold my timber to john Ford for 4 £ Bay old Tenor pr Tun there was 33 Tun and 26 feet I flung in the 26 feet and took his note for the 33 Tun amounting to 132 £ Bay old Tenor the note was 17-12-0 Lawful and I went to Joseph Scobeys and Vendued for him Cattle and hoggs Husbandrey untensials &c we broke up about one o Clock in the morning and I came home that night

13th I went and helped Mr. Ford and john worked for Ford for which he pd us

14th I writ William Barnets Deposition concerning Mr Houston and Arrowin and jamey Patterson and Swore him to it and I writ joseph Dows junrs Deposition for his father joseph Dow and Swore him to it and writ the Caption to go to Haverhill unpaid I charged 2/ La: Mo:

15th I knit at my part of the Siene

16th I went to john Bells in the afternoon to hold a Court between james Patterson Complainant and William Arrowin Respondent Col Goffe assisted me the affair was made up without a tryal and afterward james swore the peace against him and I drawed the Wart and the Constable took Arrowin and put him under keepers

18th I drawed a Petition for Alexr Gillcrest in favor of a Number of the Inhabitants of Goffstown to prefer to the General Court and I writ a Deed for William McDugal which Wm is to pay for me toward Drawing my petition and john Todd pd me 1/s for the acknowledgement and I sold a bushell of potatoes to Hugh McColley for which he paid me a pistereen I let james Martain have four bushell of potatoes and Stephen French two bushell unpd and we hung our Siene and we catched 69 Shad and hung our net on a fast or we might have got more there was considerable Rain in the afternoon

19th I sowed about 13 or 14 Quarts of flaxseed in the Cowyards and I gave Samuell Currier an Execution agt William Arrowin came to two shillings unpaid and I went to Means and I got a pound of Tea for which I pd him 4 pistereens and I got 1½ bushell of Rie from Robt Alexander being of the 30 bushell I agreed with him for and when I came home I swore the apprizer of the mare Capt Ladd impounded on the 14th Instant for which I had given a Wart the 16th Instant

20th I writ 4 advertisements for Capt Lad and charged 1/ for them I took his note for all I did about his pounding the mare on the 14th Instant came to 5/4 john fished at the Scene and got 94 shad and 5 £ of Salmon and I paid Martain the 4 shad we borrowed from him last week

21st we got the fish home and Major Goffe and I pitched my Cannoe a little with his pitch and put her into the River

22d we fished at the Scene and the night following and got 27 shad and 5½ £ of Sallmon besides paying for Rum that we drinked

23d Samll Wallace Brot me a bushell of Salt from john Pinkertons a ½ a Dollar pr bushell and I gave him a Dollar and he is to bring me another bushell next time he comes to the Scene

25th john fished at the Scene and got 235 he sold a string and paid a string to Hugh Wall that William Morrow got from him on my acct and jamey and I went to the Falls jamey got 9 and I got 12 I gave two for Cydar and two I gave Lieut Little and got home 16 and I let William Karr have 3 bushell of potatoes to be paid in shad or money and I let Hugh McColley have 6 quarts of seed corn

26th I let Hugh McColley have a bushell of potatoes and I got ½ ounce of snuff and a fine teeth Comb from McGregore for which I paid 23/ Hampr old Tenor and john went to Mr Dows and got ½ a bushell of salt toward what he owes me and my jamey worked for Hugh McColey for which he promised to give me a string of shad

27th I writ a Deed from William Caldwell bror in law Andrew Craige to him and took the acknowledgement took no pay but to be settled when we settle all our accts and we got 136 shad at the Scene

28th I went to the falls but got no fish I got ½ ounce of Snuff from Mr McGregore for which I paid /2 La : Mo :

29th I got a bushell of Rie from Alexander which Makes 30 bushell I have got in all from him this year and I got two barrels from McGaw for which I paid him 4/ La : Mo : and we got 33 shad from the Scene

JUNE FIRST

I went to fish at the falls and got 110 shad and jamey got 29 at our setting place and john got 90 at the Scene

2d I got 90 shad

3d I got 44 shad and Bob got 13 at our setting place and john got 50 at the scene

4th I got 115 shad

5th I got 90 shad and jamey got 20 at our Setting place and john got 17 at the scene

6th I got 102 shad

8th I got 3 shad and Bob got 34 at our setting place and john 1 and the Scene

9th I got 5 shad

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on the 4th

Susey went to Lo : Derry and bot 2 bushell of salt from jamey McMurphy for which she paid a Dollar and on the 5th I let Robt McGregore have

20 shad for a bushell of salt which I have yet to get and on the 8th john went to Lo: Derry and bot 4 bushell of salt from james McMurphy for which he paid two Dollars and brot two bushell of it home and the other 2 he left at joseph Bells and on the 2d John paid jacob Heper a Dollar of his own money toward what I owe him

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10th john and james fished Ells in the night and got 29 five of which they gave to their uncle Alexr and 2 they gave Mr Martain & 22 they brot home out of what shad we got I gave Deacon Walker 12 and Wm Morrow 15 and john McMurphy 25 and john Little 2 and Divers to james Martain john Sold 44 at the Scene and the boys sold 61 from their setting place and I sold on the Island 184 for money and 20 I let Robt McGregore have for a bushell of salt and I let john Little have 118 shad toward his Right in the setting place and 1-5-6 Bay old Tenor in money on the 5th Instant

11th I writ a Deed from Samll Boyd from john Davis and took the acknowledgement for which Davis paid me 2/s La: Mo: and I went to the falls to look at the pot and I got 3 Ellwives and a trout in it

12th we began to weed our corn and my bror Martain Major Goffe Ensn McLaughlin and I agreed with Mr Quinlin to keep school a month for five Dollars or longer which we see fit to Employ him or four Dollars and a half pr month by the year and I went to Robt Alexanders and got a bushell of white beans from him and did not pay for them

13th I hooped off two small pails and I went to the falls and I got 3 Salmon out of the pott that weighed 29½ £ and two ellwives

14th I heard Mr Ward preach in Derryfield meeting house and I went up to the falls and got two Salmon in the pot that weighed £ and four ellwives and I got 2 shad & 3 Ells of my part of what was in the pott on the setting place

15th I went to Merrills and I heard Mr Smith the Anabaptist preach and Dip Baker of Derryfield and a young woman of Dunbarton and I bot a bottle of snuff for McGregore and for two ferryages of myself I paid 2/ Lawfull Money

16th I run lines for Lieut Poor for which he paid me a Dollar it was Round the Home Lott No 48 by Gillmors Saw Mill

17th I went to james Voses and took his Invoice from his Wife and went from there to the falls and fished Ells the night following and got a shad & 26 Ells

18th I went back to the falls and got 4 Shad and a Salmon that weighed 10¾ £ and I gave Hugh McColleys wife 2 shad and the Rest I sent home and I eat supper with McColley and I got 8 Ells in the Evening

19th I got 8 shad one I lent to Samuell Richards and three I gave widow Batchelor for a spick gimblet that I borrowed from her a year ago & Hugh McColley lost it and McColley's wife got three of my Ells and I eat breakfast with her and I brot 4 shad and 5 Ells home

20th I went with Nathll Marston to Samll Sanders and writ a deed from him to Mrs Sanders and a bond from his father to her and helped them to Settle and Nathll pd me 0-4-8-2 and I took the acknowledgement of the Deed for which Mrs Sanders paid /11-1 allmost

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22d Thos Newman made and Sett a New shoe on my horses fore foot

23d I took a barrel of shad to jonas Cuttings for Wm Morrow for the Right in the Scene I bot of him last Spring and I paid the Ferryage and sett it in jonas room and I paid the ferryage by drawing an Rect for him agt john Briant and Swearing him to it and I went to Sunkook to try to get grain and lodged at james Moors

24th I got one bushell of Indian corn from Moors wife for which I paid 3-10-0 old Tenor my Expences this journey was 1-6-0 old Tenor and brot the bushell of corn that I got to Esqr Blodget mill and he ground it Toal free and I catched 6 Lamper Ells and brot them to Matthew Littles and the price is 5/ Bay old Tenor unpaid

25 & 26th I went to Robert Walkers and with him and Hugh Orr we made the highway Rates and Warrants

27th I went to Esqr Blodgets mill with 1½ bushell of Mishlin Wheat and Rie and he gave me the Toal

29th I went according to appointment with john Crombie and Col Barr to Londonderry and went from there with james MacGregore and john Bell with sd Crombie and went to Pelham and from thence to the most Southeastly corner of Lo : derry and run W : N : W : neigh to one Smiths and Col Barr and I lodged at sd Smiths by an invitation the others went to Pelham

30th I began where I left off the night before and were joined by Pelhams Selectmen and Run by night as far as to john Willsons and then went to Lieut Buttlers and lodged over night

JULY FIRST

went to where we left off last night and went on and got to said Buttlers to Diner in the afternoon we got to Pelham N : W : Corner and as far as Thos Smiths between Derry and Nottingham West and were joined by one of Nottingham Selectmen we went back to Buttlers and lodged over night

2d we proceeded and run to Derry S: W: Corner and from thence to Litchfield S: E: corner and had two of Nottingham Selectmen and they pd me four Dollars for my service all but 3 coppers and I came to William Pattersons in Litchfield and lodged over night

3d Patterson let me have 1½ bushell of Indian corn for which I paid him ¾ of a Dollar and I pd 3 coppers for my ferryage and two to Means for snuff and came home and sent the corn to Blodgetts mill and I had the Toal not payd for and I workt the afternoon at our School house by john and james yesterday and this forenoon at getting the timber and hauling and my oxen this forenoon

4th I worked at framing the school house and we Raised it about Sun Set

6th I sett out after Grain and I bot ½ Hundred of Rice from McGaw for which I paid 5 £ bay old Tenor and I got 14 £ of Shugar at 2-14-0 and a pound of Tea at 1-14-0 both on credit bay old Tenor and I went and lodged at Jesse Wymans at pine hill

7th I got a bushell of Verginia corn from Mr Right for which I paid 1-12-0 bay old tenor and a bushell of Rie from jos Fletchers son for which I pd 1-15-0 bay old tenor and a bushell of Rie att 35/ and half a bushell of corn at 12/6 bay old Tenor from Temple Kendall which I paid and I lodged at Ephraim Addams

8th I came to Lovewells mill and got the 3½ bushell ground and I pd the Toal for which I paid 7/ bay old Tenor my Expences this journey was 11/4 bay old Tenor and got home a little before Sun Sett

10th I sent jamey to Hugh McCalleys for Martains fly nett and He got a bottle of Snuff from McGregore for which he paid 38/ Hampr old Tenor and I knit at the new fly nett

11th I finished kniting in the morning & then I went at workt at hanging the nett and we finished tying of it on a little before sun sett

13th john and I went and Sawed a cut of a logg on the East Side of the River for clapboards but it would not do and Susanna and David went to Londonderry

14th David brot home the two bushell of salt that john left at joseph Bells the 8th of last june and I writ a Deed from Thos Hall to Samll Richards of a Right in the common in Goffestown and took the acknowledgement and I writ a Deed from james Gillmor to David Moor of a peice of land in the N: E: Corner of the home lott no 75 in Bedford

the Remainder of the week I made a new axle tree to my Cart and molded the pad of my Saddle and I got hair from Stephen French to almost stuff it

19th being Sabath day Nathaniell Clark sent me two dollars pr my brors Betty towards what he owes me on his note

20th I went to Col Goffes to get his chair wheel to fetch up our weights and Measures from Exeter and the boys hill at the corn

21st the boys hilld at the Corn

22d the boys finished hilling the corn and I went to Deacon Walkers and got 4 Dollars of the towns money to bear my Expences and to fee Mr Livermoor for his advice concerning the Road that Gan Riddell want to Dr Miller meadow lott in the Great Meadow

23d I set out for Exeter and Portsmouth and lodged at Towles Col Goffes wheels would not do they were so crazey

24th I arrived at Portsmouth about Noon I Dinned by Invitation with Noah Parker and I bot 4 bushell of Indian corn from Capt Robt Parker for which I pd him 3 Dollars and got to Stratham and lodged at Mr Chases

25th I got home I could not find the weights and measures at Exter as I expected but Noah Parker says they are there and is to send them to Esqr Websters next Thursday I paid him ¼ Dollar for the carriage from Exter to there My Expences this journey was 11-14-0 Hampr old Tenor

27th I went with a bushell of the Corn I brot home on the 25th to Esqr Blodgetts and got it Ground and Spent the afternoon with him at his house on neighbourly conversation

28th I fited some Rakes and the boys mowed yesterday and today

29th I fited some more Rakes and the boys Mowed the forenoon and the afternoon I spent after Salmon and McLaughlin and I got 3 Exceeding hot this week & a shower this afternoon

30th I went to Esqr blodgets with the Remainder of the Corn I brot from Portsmouth being 2½ bushell and about 3 or 4 quarts I have had the Toal of all that I brot from Portsm from him and have not paid him for it being in all 3½ bushell and about 4 quarts more showers this afternoon and Evening

31st It Rained and the wind at N: E: this morning Martain and I got a Salmon this morning that weighed about 12 £ and he got two yesterday that weighed I suposse 35 or 36 we Divided them this morning I had about 16 £ for my share

AUGUST FIRST

I went to MacGregores and got the bushell of salt that I paid him for last fish time in Shad and a bottle of snuff and a pair of Brass sleve bottons for which I pd 44/ Hampr old Tenor

3d john and I went to the little meadow near noon and began to mow we mowed the Govr lott and some in the Squar and the path in to the meadow and I borrowed a flask full of Rum from Wm Caldwells wife

4th I butchered our belled Cows Calf it weighed 11½ £ pr quarter and we mowed some more in the Little meadow and I went and got two quarts of Rum at Hugh Campbells on on Credit and my wife went to Means and got Several Articles and paid the money for them yesterday

5th was a considerable Rain and I fitted up 3 Rakes and the boys got in a load of hay out of the meadow at home before it Rained

7 & 8th I Carted home two loads of hay from the Little meadow each day and Mowed a few cocks and Raked up 18 on the 6th I mowed 11 cocks and the boys and I got all we had down in cocks except 5

10th I mowed part of the forenoon in the burnt lott and David went to Esqr Blodgets mill with 2½ bushell and a little more of New Rie that the boys reaped and thrashed last week they Reaped 15 Stooks and last week john thrashed 2 stooks and 2 sheaves for what we sent to mill today

11th Was a Considerable Rain last night and this morning and I did not go to the meadow & Newman made me a Sett of Scyth Hangin and the boys Reaped three stooks & there was a heavey shower this Evening toward night

12th We shaked out our Cocks and what I mowed on the 10th and got it all in cocks and brot home a load

13th I sent David to Means and got ½ a Gallon of Rum and ½ a £ of Tea for which he paid 24/1 bay old Tenor and we took care and dried our hay and brot home a load

14th We finished Reaping the peice above the barn there was 37 Stooks and 4 Sheaves on it which was all Winter Rie and began to Reap the Spring Rie in the old field before the house

15th I went to the meadow and mowed 5 or 6 cocks it was very hot and there came up a Great shower of Rain and hail I cocked up what I mowed altho it was not hayed all the hollow places in the meadow was full and the brook to the top of the banks like the Spring time

16th it Was cloudy and the air at N: E: and Rained a little some part of the day and our Belled Cow took Bull

17th Lowrey dull weather I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from Samuell Turrill Senior to Samuell Turrill Juion unpd and the boys Thrashed Rie

18th we cleaned up 4 bushell of Rie misty dull weather & I got a bushell of Rie ground at Lieut Moors mill

19th Cloudy dull weather and Mr Hepper come to turn Mr Quinlins surtut

20th Cloudy Dull weather and I set up a pail and repaired my Cart

21st and 22d I worked at the meadow and finished mowing and rakeing the burnt lott I had 32 Cocks on it and got home a load of hay

24th I got two Quarts of Rum from Hugh Campbell on Credit and I mowed some at the Meadow in the Squar and john worked at the meadow and we got home a load of hay which makes the 9th load we have got home this year

25th We mowed and Raked hay and got home a load

26th I butchered a lamb and worked at the meadow and brot home a load of hay

27th worked at the meadow & brot home a load of hay

28th finished mowing exceept 3 cocks among the bushes in the Govr lott and brot home a load of hay & got ½ Gallon of Rum from Hugh Campbell on Credit

29th got it all in cock that is mowed and brot home a load and took 2¼ bushell of Rie to Lieut Moors Mill but did not get it home and I writ a Deed from David McClary of Merrymac to jamey Smith of the meadow lott no 73 and took the acknowledgement and Recd ¼ La: Mo: toward it and jamey is to pay me /8 more

31st Carted home 2 load of hay and the boys mowed and carried out from the bushes in the Govr lott what Grass was and they Cleared on sd lott the Rest of the day

SEPTEMBER FIRST

Carted home a load of hay

2d I butchered a lamb and I got a Gallon of Rum from Hugh Campbell on Credit and the boys went to the Meadow for a load of hay lowery weather and Rained some and I gave Doctor Barns a Summons for Divers Evidences and a Notification to the adverse party (viz) Lieut McQueston and others and am to go to Litchfield next Saterday to take the Depositions

3d was a great Rain last night and considerable today

4th I went to the meadow and shook out what was wet of the hay and brot home a load

5th john Got William Caldwells oxen and helped home with a load being the last I had 20 loads this year there was 197 cocks in it this year and I went to Ensn Chases and took 4 Depositions for Doctor Barns and one for McQueston pr Mr Athertons desire all unpaid and I came home after midnight

7th I writ the Captions on the Depositions I took on the 5th and Sent them to Court pr deacon Walker and I went to job Dows and he paid

me 8-16-9-2 lawful being his part of the last Note to the 29th of july last and I charged him Intrest no longer he haveing had the Money Ready for me at that time

8th I went to Robert Alexanders and paid his Wife Six Dollars and 25/ Bay old Tenor being what I owed him of what Rie and a bushell of Beans I had from him last Spring &c And I paid Means what I owned them on book being 9-2-4- Bay old Tenor and I got 1: 10: 0 Bay old Tenor worth and paid the money and 1½ Dozn of Coat buttons for johns Red jacot and paid ¼ of a Dollar for them

9th I went to McGregores and got ½ £ of Tea for which I paid 40/ old Tenor for and I paid him for a bottle of snuff which I had from him on Cr on the 25th of last Augt and I went into the woods with Chandlers heirs to look their land

10th Was Rainy Weather and I writ a letter to james Blanchard for Samuell Kennedy of the Value of the lott No 11 in the 1st Rang in Goffestown on Bedford line

11th I went into the woods with Chandlers heirs away beyon Whitfield Gillmors and to the brushey Meadow and it came on Rain and Wet us a Good deal and we came home before night

12th Was something Rainy the fore part of the day I began to Cut a few Stalks Near Night

14th we Cut the Remainder of our Stalks but 12 Rows and john and jamey went to Alexr McMurphys to help him get his Hay

15th Deacon Walker brought the Venires for the jurymen for Octr Court and I drawed a Wart for a town meeting to be held the 29th to chuse and Draw them and we finished cuting Our Stalks and I went to McGregores and I got a Bottle of snuff and a quarter of a pound of Allspice and ½ a bole of tody for which I paid 2/6 Lawful

16th I went into the woods with Chandlers Heirs to a Meadow lott by jacob McQuads and one in the little meadow and and no one in the 11th Rang and 55 3d Division and 47 & 49 third Divisions and I got a pen knif and ½ a quire of paper from McGaw

17th was a Rainey day

18th I went with Col Goffe and Capt Walker to Goffestown and laid off thirty acres out of the common at penny Meadow to Dow for William McDoels amendment which he had purchased from McDoel & I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for john George unpaid

19th I went to Robt Alexanders and Run part of the lines Round the lott no 47 a 3d Division for him and I got ½ £ of peper an Earthen pot and a pitcher and chamber pot from McGaw for which and a penknif and the ½ quire of paper I had from him the 16th I paid him 31/3 Bay old Tenr and I got a thousand of board Nails and three thousand of Shingle Nails from him on Credit for our School house

21st I drawed the articles for us the partners in the school house among our selves and between us and joshua Gage for his doing the work

22d We all met and Signed the Articles the forenoon it cost me ½ a day

23d I gathered and traced some corn

24th I worked the afternoon makeing mortar and tending the Masons at

the School house Chimney and my brors Sam[ll] took 98 feet of seasoned White pine boards from me to the school house and my Cart Carted Stones for the School house from Gan Riddells

25th I went in the forenoon to Mr Caldwells and then to james Aikens Rob[t] Walkers and Hugh Campbells after lime for the school house and the afternoon I tended the Masons and john Worked the forenoon makeing morter at the School house

26th I went to Means and got 55 Squars of Glass of 7 by 9 and ½ a thousand of Double tens on credit for the School house and john worked all day at laying the hearth and Underpining the school house and in the afternoon I went to McGregores and I got ½ £ of Tea and an Ounce of Snuff for the school master and a bowle of tody for which I paid him ½ a dollar and I got an Ivory comb at Means in the forenoon for which I paid him 5/ Bay old Tenor and I paid him for 3 Squars of the Glass

28th I went to Capt Karrs and Measured off 50 acres for Doctor Tiffiny of the west side of the land he had from Rob[t] Mathies and I writ the deed and took the acknowledgement and charged a Dollar I expect Capt Karr will answer it

29th Was a town Meeting and we chose Samuell Vose a grand jury man for the Sessions

30th Hugh Orr and I met at Deacon Walkers to make Rates

OCTOBER FIRST

we finished makeing the Province County Ministers and Grave yard Rates we got two quarts of Rum from john Bell and paid it with a pistereen of the towns money that was in Deacon Walkers hand and john Worked at Newboston highway

2[d] I went to Means and got 7 £ of shugar and half a Gallon of Rum for which I paid in Bay old Tenor 1-15-7

3[d] I went to Londonderry to George Duncans and got 1½ M of clepboard Nails for which I paid 7/6 Lawful and the boys got in the corn by the well

5th I Run Round the lott No one in the 11th Rang for James Mathies and Gave him the Runing of it and he and his Wife gave me 1 £ and 6 ounces of Heckled flax and 2 £ of tobacca

6th I went out at the desire of one Moses Abbot administrator on the Estate of jonathan Hill of Bedford in the Bay province to look up the lotts 2 & 4 in the 2d Rang in this town for which he paid Me a Dollar the apprizers was with us (viz) Lieut Daniell Moor Samuell Patten and john Bell and Richard McAllister junior was out as a hand

7th was a great Rain we got in a load of corn and husked it and what Remained of what the boys got in before they had got in what was by the Well

8th I went to McGregores and got ½ £ of Tea a bottle of snuff and a stamped handkircheif and half a bowle of tody for which I paid him 6-6-0 Hampshire old Tenor and I got Baileys Dectionary from him on Credit at 10/ Lawful and I got Hugh McCalley to help me draw our Salmon pot up the bank a great Rain today

9th I had my brors Martains and Thos McLaughlins Oxen and the boys and I hauled in nine pine logs on to the ways at Major Goffes Saw Mill and Martain had my Oxen helping him the afternoon

10th Thos McLaughlin had my Oxen helping him all day and I Writ at puting the List and Warrant into the town Book

12th I finished puting them into the book and I went to Means and I bot 2 Barrels and ½ a gallon of New England Rum from McGaw for which I paid him 44/7 Bay old Tenor

14th john and jamey went to the ordination in Merrymack and I husked corn and Bob & David plowed some

15th I husked corn and john and jamey came home in the evening

16th we husked out what corn was in the Barn and got word by john Wallace that Francis Barnet died this morning at Breakfast

17th I attended Francis Barnetts funeral and was a pall bearer

19th the boys and I took what apples we propose for Cyder being 35 bushell to Gillmors mill and ground them and filled up 4 barrells of good Cydar and some more and I put on 7 pails of water on the chees and let it stand till morning

20th I cut up the Chess and put on 2 pails of water more and pressed off a barrell and ⅔ more then cut up the chess again and put on another pail of water and pressd off to fill the last barrel and three or 4 Gallons over and Squire Dow paid me the ballance of his last years Note being 5 ⅓ Dollars and 1½ pistereen Intrest

21st we brot home the Cydar we have 4 barrels of Good cydar and 2 barrells and about 6 Gallon of Water cydar and it came on a cold storm of Rain

22d john and I worked at the highways

23d john and I worked at the highways and in the Evening we met at the school house and accepted it from Gage and I paid him my part which was 2 Dollars and ½ a pistereen and Major Goffe sent to Means and got a Gallon of Rum and 1 pound of Loaf Shugar to be paid by the owners

24th We got in the last of our corn

26th We husked corn

27th We finished husking corn we have about 80 bushell of Indian that is Good corn and john worked for Hannah Barnett geting wood and we finished plowing our Indian corn ground

28th I went to McGregores and got ½ £ of Tea and a bottle of snuff for which I pd him 4/ Lawful

29th I went to james Pattersons to see about Geting the 4 bushell of Rie I lent him about a year ago and I had ½ a mug of flip at john Bells for which I paid 2/ bay old Tenor

30th john and I worked at the highway at the causey and Diging stone by Arrowins it thundered a great deal at a Distance South and S: W: and Rained a good deal toward night and in the Evening and jamey went to Lieut Moors Mill and 3½ bushell of Indian corn Ground which makes 8 bushell we have had ground this faul of our New Indian corn

31st I cleaned up almost six bushell of Rie and john worked for his uncle at repairing his Cydar Mill

NOVEMBER

2d we butchered a hog that weighed 134 £ and I took the list and warrants to john Bell and I bot the Gun that was David Scobeys that was broke at a training in this town for three Dollars from Bell and am to answer to Scobey what is more than he owes Bell on book

3d I set out for Boston and lodged at john

4th I Recd 64–13–4 Bay old Tenor from him toward his note and arived at Boston

5th & 6th and on my way home for things and my Expences I laid out 63–14–10 bay old Tenor and I arrived home the 7th in the Evening

9th I went to McGaws and bot several Articles to the amount of 6–5–1 bay old Tenor and paid him the money

10th I peiced the stock of the Gun I had from john Bell and Hepper came to our house to Taylor

11th I set out for Cockermouth and lodged at Mrs Osgoods

12th I bot some articles in pennykook and went to Robt Forsiths and lodged there

13th Was a storm of snow and Rain and I lay by

14th I arrived at Cockermouth and lodged at Mr James Goolds and he kept my horse that night

15th Sabath day & I sent my horse to Widow snows to be kept

16th went into the woods to Surveying and lodged at Esquire Brainards in Rumney and run lines every day the Remainder of the week

23d & 24th I Run lines

25th 26th and 27th Rainey the whole time we came in the afternoon of the 27th and concluded to Quit the work

28th I Destributed my stores to my landlady Goold and came to Mrs Snows in Plymouth and came to Robt Forsiths and Tarryed there untill the first of December and while I was there I gave Forsith my 4th part of the lott no 74 in New chester in the 1st Division and on the 1st of December I came to Mrs Osgoods and

2d I arrived home about Duskish Robt Forsith gave me about 1¼ bushell of Wheat and his wife baked a parcel of Wheat Cakes for me when I went up to Cockermouth My Expences and what things I bot on this journey from I left home was 1–5–10 Lawful money of which sum I paid 3/4 for a tin kittle that I sold for my own money and 6/ for a gallon of Rum for james Goold which I got an order on the Collector.....
.....pr day came to 6–0–0

3d of December WAS THE GENERAL THANKSGIVEING

4th I went to Derryfield to see about brik

5th I diveded the boards of Nine logs with Samuell Goffe that he sawed off 1⅓ being the last of the logs we hauled winter was a year there was 958 feet of my part and I got a new Shave from Proctor at 30/ Bay old Tenor unpaid

7th I went to McGregores and got ½ £ of Tea and some other things to the amount of 3–7–0 old Tenor and paid the Money

8th I Run lines for Francis Diamond and was in their Dispute with Howard

9th I went to McGaws and got 3 yds of wide Baize on Credit and some small articles to the amount of 5/10 Bay old Tenor which I paid the money for

10th I went to Newboston and lodged at Betty McCollums

11th I settled with Andrew Walker for his note and acct and he alowed me Intrest on the acct from the year 1759 a 2/ pr £ untill the year 1765 and from then 6 pr ct and his note the same Intrest the whole now amounts to 7-19 Lawful for which I took his note to be paid in a year with Intrest till paid

12th I went to Capt Daniell Moors mill and took 2 bushell of Indian corn with me and got it Ground and the Rie I left there 8th Instant

14th I went And Run the lines of the lott no 80 a 3d Division for Ensign Vickere I charged 4/ unpaid

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4th I writ a bond from James Wallace to james Linn for his Maintenance and settled the note between Capt Walker and Linn and a note from Martha Nimmock to Capt Walker and charged 3/ for the whole but they did not fix who should pay me and I settled my old acct against Martha Nimmock with her Daughter Esther for 111 £ of beaf she had from me in the year 1759 in Novbr and the ballance due to me was 9/2 Lawful and the money was paid to john Bell Which paid my County and Province Rates and a pistereen over and Bell paid me the pistereen in cash and I went in the afternoon with Hugh Orr and altered and Exchanged the highway at the east side of Wm Caldwells land agreeable to a Vote of the town

5th we butchered our large Barrow and Sow the Barrow weighed 290 £ and the Sow 235 £ and we met in the Evening at Mr Martains to Settle our school house acct and I was so much out of Case that I was obliged to come away presently after we began

6th I went to Deacon Walkers and him and I went to Master Sauce and agreed with him to be the town school master

7th I went to McGregores and got a Gallon of Molasses and ½ £ of Allspice for which I paid 56/ Hampr old Tenor and I spent 10/6 Hampr old Tenor and I writ a Deed from Thos Mann to john Bell of his land he bot of john Clark

8th I went to john Bells and took the acknowledgement of the Deed from Thos Mann to john Bell which answers one shilling toward the Gun I had from him this faull.

9th john Perham hauld 1500 brick to the River from Robins for which he Charged me a Dollar and I Gave him my Note for 3 Dollars to be paid to Capt Carlton for the price of the brick and I got them over the River and paid 15/ old Tenor for the freght of them over the River and they want 9/ more

11th I went to the forge and got 25½ £ of Iron from Wm Newman and I got Thomas Newman to punch a hole in the barr and make a little Crane and Rivet it on for a Mantel tree for our Celar chimney the 25½ it came to 6-7-6 Hampr old Tenor unpaid and the boys got home the last of the brick we got over the River the 9th

12th I went at john Vickeres desire to Nathaniel Clarks and took the acknowledgement of Clarks wife to him of a Deed of the place in Bedford and of his and his Wife to Mr Wm Gordon of the said place and of Vickeres Wife to Clark I charged Vickere 3/ Lawful and he paid me the 3/ and the one for Clark he owes me 1/ for

13th I Began to Draw the lease from Thos McLaughlin to Wm Newman and got well forward and McLaughlin came and stoped me to have some new articles put into the lease and I went and put the latch on the school house door these two days john put up the Cellar chimney

14th I went to Widow Barnetts desire to her house and from there with her to Samuell Vose to see if he would Resign his sons Legacie to her Late husbands Estate it snowed all day

15th I Drawed the leases of Thos Maclaughlins part of the forge to Wm Newman and it snowed all last night and untill about the Middle of this Day

16th The boys and I got home 3 load of wood

18th got three load of wood

19th Francis Dimond came and I Writ a deed from him of his home place and two lotts by Howards to Aaron Gage and took the acknowledgement for which Dimond paid me 20s/ Bay old Tenor and ½ a Dollar for ½ the day I Run lines for him and Low the 8th of Decbr last being Lows part his own part I allowed for a small pair of stillards I had from him several years ago

21st I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for Thos Mason the Deed was from Clark to him The Acknowledgement Mann is to pay in smith work and james McClure and Samuell Morrison came to our house to Make Shoes

22d james Martain had my oxen helping him to Draw logs to the River

23d Bob went to Capt Moors mill with 2 bushell of Corn and 2 of Rie and james and I got wood and john Thrashed

25th and 26th I made heels and a small last for our Alexander and john Thrashed

27th I went to McGaws and got ½ £ of Tea and 2¼ yards of Crombleteen and 6 ounces of bees wax from but paid no money for the things for McGaw was not at home an exceeding warm pleasant day

28th a snowey day and I worked at makeing lasts

29th at makeing lasts a very cold windy day

30th not so high a wind as yesterday and I went to McGregores and Got a Gallon of Molasses and 1¼ £ of Chalk and a jacknif and ½ a mug of flip for which I paid him and I got a Deerskin from him at 16/ Lawful on Credit and I got 3 £ of Tallow from Matthew Little for which I paid him a pistereen and one half

FEBRUARY FIRST

a Windy day and I worked some at makeing lasts and I fell an oak in the cleared land by Capt Walkers place and cut the top for wood

2d an Exceeding windy day and the snow Drifted very much and Violent cold and james McClure and Samuel Morrison finished makeing 16

pair of shoes for us they charged 25-16-0 Hampr O : T : as they settled between themselves Morrison is to receive 15-12-0 and McClure 10-4-0 and I paid McClure 4-16-0 by 9 lasts and I owe him 5-8-0 old Tenor yet and I borrowed a Dollar from old Mother McLaughlin and I paid McClure two Dollars to give to Moses Watts being my part toward Equiping the seen by Nutts against next fish time

8d I went to Robt Alexanders and got 2 bushell of Rie and two of corn from him on cr and I got it Ground at Capt Moors and got it home and I got a skean of silk from McGaw at 5/ bay old Tenor on Credit

4th I was a good deal out of case

5th james Martain had my oxen helping him draw logs

6th I went to Robt Alexanders and got 4 bushell of Indian corn and two of Rie from him and brot it to Capt Moors and got it Ground and home and the boys hauld wood

8th The wind rose last night very high and continued so all day so that it took up large flaks of crusted snow and blowed it along it was exceeding cold

9th I went to Alexanders and got 6 bushell of Rie I settled with him for what Grain I have had from him this Winter being ten bushell of Rie and 6 of Indian the Rie was 32/6 and the corn at 25/ Bay old Tenor came to 23-15-0 and I paid him 6-15-0 by 3 days Runing lines for him on the 23d 24th and 25th of last December and I owe him 17 £ bay old Tenor yet of the Grain and I got ½ £ of Tea and 7 £ of Shugar from McGaw Weighed off to me by Alexanders wife on Cr

12th I writ a Deed from Miller james Moor to john McConihe of his place and a bond of Defeazance from John McConihe to him on the Deed and I took the Acknowledgement of the Deed and bond both for which Moor paid me 4/ Lawful money and Mr Hepper came yesterday to make me a pair of breeches of my Wifes kniting and he finished makeing them today at noon and then he went home

13th I went to Robt Gillmors in Goofestown for Major Goffe and writ a pair of Indentures for him for the child that Sarah March laid to his son Samuell to Robt Gillmor but she did not come with the child to sign the Indentures I charged Goffe 2/ Lawful and he paid me a pistereen of it

15th I went to McGregores and I got a Dozen of butons for leather breeches and ½ a Gallon of Rum and a Mug of Tody for which I paid him 19/3 Bay old Tenor

16th Mr Hepper came to make a pair of leather breeches for me

17th I went out near Mr Heppers and got as much poplar stuff as will make 18 dishes or boles and I went to Zachariah Chandlers and took the acknowledgement of a Deed for john Lowder from Zech for which he paid me a pisteereen and Mr Hepper finished makeing my breetches

18th I went to McGaws and got a checked linen handkercheif at 14/ and a paper of pins at 4/ and paid the Money for them and I went to john Thomas and got 4 bushell of Rie from him which paid me for my Runing lines for him and McGellavre this faul Except 5/ Bay old Tenor and I got it Ground at Capt Moors Mill

20th the boys cut and hauled with our own Oxen and horse 4 logs to the

Majors mill for his son Samuell for the plank he sawed this winter to lay our barn floor

21st Sabathday supposed to be the coldest Day was this Winter the Exceeding high

22d the Wind not quit so high but the cold very Intence the boys and I got two load of wood

23d my bror Samuell and I went to McGregores and Capt Starke and I got a Gallon of Molasses ½ a Gallon of Rum and a mug of Tody from McGregore for which I pd him 3-14-0 Hampr old Tenor

24th I attended at Esquire Rands at the Probate Court on acct of the legacie Francis Barnett left to the poor of the town my Expences was a Dinner and a mug of Flip the flip I pd 4/1 Bay O : T : for the Dinner unpaid

25th I Writ a Wart for a town meeting to be held the 10th of next march and I went to Deacon Walkers and he signed it and I went to john Orrs and sent it from there to McDuffie by his step son john Morrison

27th I went to Thos Boies for Hugh Campbell and Writ deed from him to Boies of all his place Exceept one acre and a bond of Defeazance for which I charged 4 shillings unpd

MARCH FIRST

I Writ a Deed from Zechariah Chandler unpd and in the Evening the partners (Except my bror) that hired Mr Quinlan settled with him for what he has keept school with us since the 15th of last june the time he began his wages came to 36 Dollars my part is 6 Dollars

2d I went with my bror and his Samll to McGregores to meet the other partners in the white pine timber in Amoskieg fall and waited all day but none of them come and Esqur Dow came to my house and paid my wife 9-0-4-2 Lawful money toward his and his bror jobs and Favors note

3d I paid my bror Samll five Dollars to pay his Quarter of what is to be paid now for the logs in Amoskieg fall

3d I went to Deacon Walkers and with the other selectmen Drawed the Wart for the March meeting and we Recd from james Caldwell of his collection of Rates 0-9-9-1 and from jos Scobey 3-18-0 and the whole of the Remainder of Thos Boies being 3-3-9-3- being in the whole 7-11-7 Lawful and lodged the Money in Deacon Walkers hand and I paid joseph Scobey 18/ Lawful on Thos Newmans order in writing

4th I went Zechariah Chandlers and took the acknowledgement of the deed that I writ the 1st Instant from Zechariah Chandler to Robt Alexander to be paid by Alexander

5th I went to joseph Farmers and writ two Deeds at his place to jacob McGaw I charged ½ a Dollar and I took the acknowledgements for McGaw 2/ Lawful and lodged at Alexanders with McGaw

6th I settled with McGaw for all I owed him Except what I owe him of the things I got for the school house which with ½ £ of Tea I got today came to 9-3-3- bay old Tenor and I paid him 10/ bay old Tenor over through mistake in ading it up the Writing the deed for Farmer yesterday and

the two acknowledgements which came to 1-17-6 bay old Tenor was settled in our acct and he charged Farmer with the half Dollar

8th We got some wood and in the afternoon I searched about the River to find my Cannoe but did not find her

9th We got some more wood and in the afternoon I found my Cannoe against Zechariah Chandlers land

10th was a town Meeting which I attended and I was chose to Attend the Probate court on acct of the Legacie left to the town by Francis Barnett

11th I attended the Probate court at Capt Daniel Moors my Expences was my Dinner which cost me half a pistereen

12th I writ a Deed from Benjamin Vickere and his Wife to Robert Burns and Went to Vickeres and took the acknowledgement which Burns is to pay me for and Vickere paid me a Dollar and half for Runing the lott he sold to Burns the 14th of last December and for Runing Round the 3d Division no 103 on the 22d of sd December and writing the Deed today and I got 7 £ of Brown Shugar and 2½ £ and 1 ounce of Loaf shugar and ½ an ounce of snuff from and 1½ £ of Tobacca from McGaw for which I paid him 2-12-0 Bay old Tenr and I had ½ £ of Indigo that I did not pay for

13th I Writ a Will for Silas Barron and one from William Barron for which they paid me ½ a Dollar and Mr Solomon Hutchinson and I went over the cast of the Inventory of Capt Barrons Estate and found we had overcast it about 32: 13-3 Lawful money

15th I writ a bill of sale from Thos Newman to his bror William and a power from Thos to Martian William is to pay me

16th I writ another bill of sale from Thomas Newman to his bror William and Willm is to pay me and I went to Goffestown and laid out 40 acres of the common by penny Meadow and came and See Thos Newman and settled accts with him and there was 10/8 bay old Tenor in my favr and I forgave it and we changed Rects

17th I waited on the Counters at john Bells that was Chose the 10th Instant to Render the town accts but all they did was to Examined the accts which had been Accepted by the town last March Meeting

18th I Recorded the Warts for the Meeting that was held the 10th Instant and the Votes of sd Meeting and john Bells acct of his constableship in the year 1766 and was accepted by the town the 18th of April 1769

19th I went to David McClearys in this town & laid out his mill yard for which and takeing the acknowledgement of a Deed for Capt Alld Allds and him paid me a Dollar and I settled my order with McCleary that I had on him from the Selectmen and answered all my Rates out of it and there was 7/7 comeing to me over and above my whole Rate and he gave me a Dollar of it and there is 1-7 comeing to me yet which I took his word for and I endorsed the back of the order to him

20th I sold an Ox Yock to Zechariah Chandler for ½ a Dollar unpaid and I went to Alexanders a writ a Deed from David McCleary of Londonderry to Alexr and McGaw and 8 notes of hand for the lott no 115 3d Division I charged them ⅔ of a Dollar and Alexr is to pay me ½ and McGaw paid me the other by things I got as much from McGaw as came to 43/6 bay

old Tenor and his part of my pay was Discounted and I paid him the overplus being 28/6 bay old Tenor

22d I went to Col Goffes and left an order there for Lieut Vose to get the weights and measures from Noah Parker that I bot from him for the town in March 1771 and after I came home I new Drawed the articles between the partners in the forge for which I charged ⅔ of a Dollar unpaid

23d my bror and I and Capt john Moor went to Capt Starks and got a Quit claim of half the logs in Amoskieg and from there to Col Goffes falls and I got a Gallon of Molasses and ½ an ounce of snuff and tobacca and my Expences at McGregores was 3-10-0 Hampshire old Tenr and I gave Samuell McFarland a summons to call witnesses to an arbitration at Lieut Samll Voses next Tuesday being the 30th Instant

24th I went and cut a Walnut tree on Widow Barnetts and Split it in Quarters and brot home Enough for a pair of Ox bows

25th I got a new Shave from Mr james Martin toward what he owes me it was a N : E : storm of Rain in the afternoon and Night following

26th john and I went and We hewed and Shaved 22 ax handles of the stick of Wallnut I cut the 24th and another pair of Oxbows

27th I gave Timothy Johnson a Summons for Enoch Page in his Case with Samuell McFarland for which he pd me 7/9 bay old Tenr

29th My bror Samuell and I and our boys and oxen went and Twitched in what logs we had at Major Goffes saw Mill and I writ a power of attorney from Thomas Newman to Capt john Moor and took the acknowledgement unpaid

30th I went to Lieut Voses to Enoch Pages and Samuel McFarlands Arbitration and swore 11 Evidences and I was in McFarlands summons as a Witness I got home about Midnight

31st Was the annual March Meeting the town chose john Bell Town Clerk and 1st Selectmen and Lieut Little the 2d and james Aiken the 3d and he Would not serve and then they chose Adam Dickey in his Room but Dickey Refused to be Sworn untill he could consider further I swore Bell as Clerk but they did not ask me to Swear any other of the officers

APRIL FIRST

I attended at Esquire Rands at the Probate Court on acct of Francis Barnetts Will and john Bell came to Col Goffes to be sworn a selectman and the Coll called me to Swear him which I did and afterward Adam Dickey came but would not be sworn untill farther consideration and james Patterson came and Desired to be Qualified surveyor of Lumber and I swore him my Expences was 4/1 bay old Tenor

2d I paid john Perham four dollars three of them was for 1½ thousand of brick I bot from Robins and was to be pd to Mr Carlton for which I gave my Note for said Carlton to john Perham but Perham had not a note with him to give me up but promised to take my Name from it and the other dollar was for his halling the brik to the River at Col Goffes the note was given the 9th of last January the day the brick was hauld

3d I worked at the highway by seabeens brook on the River and Runing about a Mile and half of the line between Merrymac and Bedford to know

whether any of the bridge over the brook is in Bedford but there was none of it in Bedford

5th Thomas Newman Made a new shoe for my horses fore foot of my Iron and steeled the toe of another with his steel and made Nails to set the two and the afternoon I worked at turning off logs with Capt Moor and my brors 2 sons

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A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM THE 19th OF APRIL 1773

Including a part of said day

and I paid Samuel Morrisons bror who he sent there 9–12–0 Hampshire old Tenor Which with a dollar I paid himself the 20th of last March made the whole I owed him for his makeing Shoes this last Winter and I sent by the same youngster 5–8–0 Hampr old Tenor to James McClure which with what lasts I made him paid all I owed him for makeing Shoes for us this last Winter

20th I was apprizing Francis Barnetts Estate along with Major Goffe and Capt john Moor

21st I attended the adjournment of the March meeting and I swore Lieut Little and Adam Dickey as selectmen and William Caldwell as Constable and his Father james Caldwell Collector

and and and james Caldwell and john Bell Surveyors of Highways and I went about sun Set to Zechariah Chandlers Barn Raising and I paid Master Quinlan a Dollar toward his keeping school

22d I went to Goffestown and bot a pair of oxen from Mr Sawyer for 35½ Dollars the half dollar is on condition that the oxen hold out to do my spring work well if not it is to be but the 35 Dollars and john brot them home who went With me for that purpose and I went and Run lines &c for Capt Karr in the afternoon and lodged at his house the night following

23d I went and Run Round the peice of land by Catamount brook Which had been laid out to john Wentworths Right for Esquire Blodgett and I gave him the Runing of it and came home that Night

24th we sheled out 4 bushell of Corn and I went to the ponds and I catched 4 pickerel

26th I with Major Goffe and Capt john Moor finished apprizeing Francis Barnetts Estate and went to Col Goffes and attested to the apprizement and john went to McGaws and Got a Gallon of Mollasses and seven pounds of shugar on Credit and afterward he went to Capt Daniel Moors mill and Got the Corn Ground that we sheled out the 24th and Bob and our 4 Oxen helped William Barnett to plough up Grass land

27th I went to McGaws and 2½ Quarts of Rum and one half a pound of Tea for which I paid him 24/ bay old Tenor and I paid him 40/ bay old Tenor for the things john Got there yesterday

28th I went to Richard MacAllesters to measure some land off his place to his son john but he was not at home and I came home without doing it and I took Sawyers ox Yock that I had to bring the Oxen home in last

week to Piscataquog River between the bridge and Lieut Littles and I see Sawyer there and told him of it

29th I writ two Deeds from Zechariah Chandler one was to Whitefield Gillmor and the other was to Samuell Turrill junr of the lott 16 in the 6th Rang and I went to Heppers and took Hannah Murphys examination of her being a bastard child she swore it on one Philip Felix and came to Richard McAllesters and waited till near Night to lay off the land I went there to lay off yesterday but he was from home and I did not do it and john let William Newman have five bushell of potatoes

30th I drawed a Warrant on the Examination I took yesterday and dated it yesterday because I agreed to give one yesterday

MAY FIRST

I got a pound of Butter from Thomas Boies toward what he is to pay me on Hugh Campbells acct and I hewed out two Ax handles out of the Stock I cut this spring at Widow Barnetts

3d I went to the Cedar swamp and got two three net poles and Capt Stark agreed with Wm Karr that if he would Give me a shad he would give him one tomorrow they catched 3 Salmon and 13 Shad at the falls today and I got 2 hundred clapboard nails and a pair of small 1 £ at McGregores on credit

4th I got a Shave from Mrs Newman for which I am to give her potatoes and I got a shear mould from Thomas McLaughlin it weighed 39½ £ toward what he owes me on acct of Fly Netts

5th I went to the River on Major Goffes Notice to help ty on the Scene but the owners did not come and I waited till toward night and I writ a letter to job Dow on acct of some Abuse he gave His Wife Sister Lamb

6th In the afternoon eleven of the owners hung the scene and began to Draw a little before sunsett and drawed till nine or ten o Clock and catched 67 Shad in all we had 6 apeice we had 3 Quarts of Rum I paid 2 Coppers for Wm Newman and Goffe owes me 2 for want of change the wholl I pd was was 7 coppers

7th I Run lines for Timothy Ferin and Ensign Moses Kelley and writ a Deed from Ferin to him and took the acknowledgement for which I charged a Dollar Kelley paid his half and a shilling over and I paid it to David Sawyer toward the oxen I had from him the 22d of last April I Drawed and order to him on Timothy Feavor for 9-4-0 and I gave him a note for 1-6-0 and what I Recd from Kelley that I paid him is Endorsed on the back of the note

8th I sowed a bushell and a half of flaxseed and I went to the falls and I got 30 shad and jamey fished at the scene being the first day I had this year and got 170 shad and I borrowed 30 from Hacket that he could not get home and james Martin made a nose for a Salmon pott of his Iron

10th I fished at the faulls and I got 135 shad and my bror Samll and I got 21 £ of Salmon and 11 Shad out of the pot by setting

11th I got 100 Shad at the falls and 100 at the Scene

12th I got 70 Shad at & falls

13th I got 280 shad at the falls and the boys got 60 at the Scene and we got 30 at the Setting place between my bror and me and ½ a Salmon

14th I got 90 Shad

15th I got 43 shad at the falls and the boys got 74 at the Scene we got 100 Ells this week I let Robert Richardson have a peck of seed corn for which he paid me a pistereen my expences since I was at the falls has been 1-7-4 Hampshire old tenor I fished at the falls untill the 10th of june which day I came home the 5th 7th 8th and 9th & 10th we worked at our new place for Ells the No of shad we Got this fish time I don't know we have 11½ barrel of shad now at home and 170 salt shad sold off and we have about 2 barrell of Ells my Expences since the 15th of May I dont know The boys among them have sold about 14 or 15 Dollars worth of fish

11th 12th & 14th we all wed at the Corn

15th I went to Divide off joseph Palmers part that he purchased from Moses Senter but stoped at MacGregores all day the officers of Col Goffes Rigiment met there today

16th I Divided Farmers Estate off to him & writ a Deed and a bond and Farmer pd me 6/8 Lawfull for my service my Expences yesterday and to-day for liquor snuff ferryage &c was 3-18-0 Hampshire old Tenor

17th to writing a Deed for Capt Walker to Eleazr Emersons Wife

18th I went to Mr Tuttles in Goffestown to divide the peice of land at the Crooked falls on Piscataquog for him and the other owner but did not do it & run some other lines for him I charged him 4/ La: Mo: unpd and I writ a deed from Wm MaDoel to Henry Dow mcdoel paid me 2/ for that and other writings and Dow owes me for the acknowledgement

22d I Vendued Francis Barnetts personal Estate and I bot a Draft Chain and a squar table a Scyth and four peices of plow plate and Tate and Brady psalm book came to 19-8-0 Hampshire O: T:

23d I spent the day at the widows

24th I went to Goffestown and Run Round the lott no 6 in the north Rang on the River for Peter Herriman for which he paid me a Dollar and I took the acknowledgement of two Deeds one for Jese Karr which I gave him and the other for Robt McAllow for which he pd me a shilling Lawful and I lodged at Capt Karrs at free coast my Expences at Kelleys on this tour was 5/ Bay old Tenor

25th I came to Ensn Kelleys and I Drawed a plan of his land on the South side of the highway and he treated me to a bowle of tody and my Dinner and my Wife sent to McGaws and got ½ £ of snuff and a pound of Loaf Shugar on Credit

26th I finished a pail for ourselves and I went and got Martain to make 8½ £ of plow plates and I got the Shear and Colter and bolt that he made for me the Shear Colter and bolt weighed 31½ £ I found the mold and the Iron for the bolt and all the plates but one he Steeled the shear with his Steel the Colter has none on it he proposes to alow me the price of what Iron I found and charge me the price of made work

28th I went to McGregores to help to Divide Widow Godfreys 3ds between Esquire Blodget and McGregore but they could not agree and we did not do anything toward Dividing and I bot a pair of Specticles from

Molly McGregore for which I paid two pistereens and I writ a Deed and took the acknowledgement from john Dunlap to joshua Tolford and we got among us three Salmon I got one that weighed 10 £

29th we got 9 Salmon I got 3 that weighed 40 £

30th in the afternoon I went to the Raising of Lieut Littles Mill and we got 5 salmon I got two that weighed 20 £

JULY FIRST

I got 1 Salmon that weighed 10 £ & I pd Mr Quinlan a Dollar which paid him all my part for his keeping school here and six shillings Bay old Tenor over which I gave him and I paid old Mrs Maclaughlin a Dollar toward the tow cloath I had from her this spring and on the 2d I went to McGaws and I got ½ £ of snuff which was paid by a mistake of an acct last spring and I got a galon of Rum and ¼ of a hundred of Rice on credit and the boys hayed at Widow Barnetts and the day before

3d I went to Widow Barnetts myself and my bror and I Divided what hay the boys got in cocks & my brors john brot my part home at Evening with their oxen being 12 cocks and David went to Esqr Blodgetts and got 2 bushell of rie and he left two bushell of Indian corn there that they did not grind for want of Water

5th I went in the afternoon to the Raising of james Martains house and Thos McLaughlin and I catched nine Salmon one was boiled and eat for Supper and the other 8 Martain & McLaughlin & I Divided and I got my divid of all the salmon that has been catched since the first instant I had five that weighed 62 £ as my share of the 8 aforesaid and we Settled with Major Goffe to take him in partner and Goffe is to pay me 30 £ of Salmon to make up my Damage I sustained by his bad conduct these 2 years past and I tarried all night and came home the next morning

6th I Drawed our fishing agreement in Writing and the boys worked at Hannah Barnetts place they helped their uncle the Greater part of the day and they brot home a load of hay of their geting it makes 21 cocks they have got from there in all this year and 23 cocks for the widow And Thos Newman gave me a fore Quarter of Veal that weighed 13 £

7th in the evening We got two Salmon that weighed 21 pound and I had them which makes me 15 £ ahead of Martain

8th I went to Amherst to the Sessions and I carried the two Salmon we got yesterday with me and Smith had one and Cuttler had the other I had 2/6 pr £ for them they came to 2–14–4 bay old Tenor they weighed 21¾ £ and I sit in the Sessions and I took two depositions for Lieut john Parker and one for Gilbert McCay I charged half a Dollar for each of them to pay and McCay paid me a pisteereen toward his ½ dollar

9th I sit in the Sessions and at Evening they were adjourned to the 3 Tuesday in August next and I tarried untill next day

10th I came home my Expences was 2–15–6 bay old Tenor and I bot a bell for my Sheep for which I paid a pistereen and while I was gone Martain got 42 £ of Salmon and we got 12 and one of 10 £ they lent to Thos McLaughlin

12th this morning I got 36 £ of Salmon and Martain got two that

weighed £ and I gave Wm Morrow one half of a Salmon that weighed 23¾ and the other half I gave to my bror Sam^{ll} and I got two Syths from Deacon Gillmor on Credit which I Expect will be Settled in my acct with his son james and I got ½ a Salmon more that weighed 5 £ and Martain tother ½ and I gave my half to Ensign Patterson

14th there Was a Good Refreshing Rain last night and several showers went Round but none came here I bent 3 ox bows and a Scoop nett bow we could do nothing with the hay & our Taz cow took Bull and I writ a deed from Lieut Sam^{ll} Gregg to james McCurdy of his place above Amoskieg Falls

16th I went to McGaws and I got 7 £ of shugar and a pound of snuff for which I paid him a Dollar and I got ½ a thousand of board nails on credit and I had a bowle of Tody for which I paid him six pence Lawful and the boys finished mowing the meadow at home

17th I took tow cloath to Heppers to make me two pair of britches and I got some White ash for Scoope net bows and the boys plowed among the corn and Raked some hay

19th I went to Hugh Orrs and I writ a Deed from William Barron to Hugh Orr of the Meadow lott no 31 & 32 and I took the acknowledgement all unpaid and in the afternoon Barron and I came to james Pattersons and I Run the lines of the meadow lott no 43 and writ a Deed of it to Patterson from Barron and took the acknowledgement unpaid and my john and my brors Sam^{ll} and john mowed at Widow Barnetts for me toward Evening it looked like fowle weather and the boys left off mowing before night and Bob went to McGaws and got a Gallon of Rum and half a pound of Tea on credit and jamey and him got in the last of the hay of our own meadow

20th the boys and I went to Widow Barnetts and we Raked up what the boys mowed in the forenoon and then it began to wet and we could not get up what the mowed the afternoon and I writ another Deed from Lieut Gregg to james McCurdy and he paid me 2/ for the two Deeds and I took the acknowledgement and would not take any pay for it from McCurdy

21st I butchered our motle Cows calf it weighed 49 £ and the boys and I went to widow Barnetts and workt at the hay

22 & 23^{d} We workt at the hay at widow Barnetts and we got all in cock and we Carted in 23 cocks for them and 9 we brot home and loaded 9 more and Sett the Cart in the Barn over night and it came on Rain

24th we brot home the load that was on the cart we left 31 cocks standing in the field and my Wife sold 20 shad fish to William Killsey and took a Dollar and 5 to Deacon Robt White and took one fourth of a Dollar for them and Since I have been at widow Barnetts my Wife put of 40 Shad to James Greggs Wife of Newboston for four yards of linin cloath and 10 she gave her she brot us 2 Quarters of Veal a present and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from Zechariah Chandler to Whitefield Gillmor and the acknowledgement from Chandler to Samuel Turrill Junior and they both paid me and Turrill paid me 1/6 old Tenor toward the acknowledgement of a Deed from his father to him and Chandler paid me for writing both the Deeds they were writ last April

26th john and Bob and I went to widow Barnetts and took in 15 cocks and we brot 7 cocks home and john and Bob went back there and tarried all night there is nine cocks to bring home in the morning and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for Capt Stinson and would not take anything for it the Deed was from Capt Allds

27th I sent David to McGaws and sent a Dollar he brot a Gallon of Rum and I sent word to send no change but to give me credit for it and we Reaped 10½ stook of Rie and took in 13 Stooks and two sheaves into the barn

28th Charles Black came and Reaped for me while I writ a Deed from Capt Daniell Moor to him of the lott he lives on and a Deed from him to john McConihe of the same and a Bond of Defeazance from McConihe to him We Reaped 18 stooks

29th We finished Reaping in the forenoon and got it all in we lack a sheaf of 40 stooks in the whole and we Carted in the flax we have 62 Stook of flax and we went to the Little Meadow after Dinner and began to Mow the first of our mowing there this year we mowed 12 cocks

30th we mowed and Raked hay at the meadow the Boys lay in the meadow and I lay at Mr Caldwells the last night and yesterday David got a Gallon of Rum and four pound of Cotton from McGaw on Credit

31st we mowed and Raked and and Bob came home last night and him and David took home a jag of hay the Rest of us lay in the meadow we got up 57 cocks in all we Raked up 4 cocks that must be shaked out again the Rest is well hayed

AUGUST 2d & 3d

I made a sett work wooden Bottle that held a Gallon on the 2d the boys brot home one load of hay and on the 3d 2 load 4th the boys brot home one load of hay which was all that we have in cock but two or three and I shaved and bent five scoop nett Bows and we Shelled out two Bushell of corn

4th I went and Round Round the meadow lott no 9 in the Great Meadow for Gan Riddell for which he paid me one half a Dollar and Bob went to McGaws and Got a Gallon of Rum on Credit and john and jamey came to the meadow and began to mow in the Burnt lott and I came and lay in the meadow with them the at night

5th my brors Samll came to mow for me and we mowed the forenoon and it Rained so hard and appeared like a Storm that we left off at Noon and came home

6th Cloudy all day we plowed our cow yard and sowed it with Turnip seed and I writ a Deed from Zechariah Chandler to Geo Cowen of 2/5 of No 22 in the 5th Range for which he paid me a Shilling Lawful and I took the acknowledgement for Cowen and I writ a deed of sd lott from George to his mother and took the acknowledgement and it answered to his mother for her being an Evidence when Mr Houston prosecuted my wife being ½ a Dollar

7th Bob and David began to plow in the field by my brors & I worked at

a pail and john and jamey went to the meadow in the afternoon and turned the hay we mowed the 5th and mowed 4 cocks

9th we Raked up the hay at the meadow and got home a load out of the Burnt lott we have 25 cocks in it this year we Raked up 42 in no today but they were small cocks

10th a considerable Rain in the fore part of the day and it cleared up in the after part of the day and john and jamey and I went to the meadow and mowed a few cocks and lay in the meadow all night

11th we mowed the fore part of the day and Shaked out 12 cocks of what we Raked the 9th and jamey Patterson and his bror Nathll came after dinner & we all raked untill night and got all into cock that we had mowed and Bob and David took home two load today

12th the Pattersons staid over night and helped us till the middle of the forenoon and we finished mowing Exceept some picking in the Governor lott and Bob and David took home two load today and Pattersons got what Grass seed could be Reaped off of what was to mow when they come to us yesterday and we put it all in cock

13th I had my brors old Oxen and Cart and I brot nine cocks home with them in the forenoon and Bob brot home another and I went and brot hom a load in the Evening the Night following was a heavy Rain the latter part of the night

14th Rained very hard sometime in the morning

16th I brot home two load of hay from the meadow and the boys Dryed the hay

17th we had my brors young Oxen and brot home 14 cocks which was the last but the pickings among the bushes and I went to Amherst to the Sessions and sit in them

18th I attended the Sessions

19th I came home in the forenoon my Expences was 1–18–1 Bay old Tenor I bot ½ £ of Tea and ½ £ of peper and ½ ounce of snuff from Esqr Cuttler for which I paid him 1–6–2 Bay old Tenor and I paid /10 Bay old Tenor to David Ramseys man for mending my stirrup leather which I broke as I got to Hildreths

20th William Morrow came and got 60 shad fish which I gave him on acct of his Right in Nutts Scene that I got of him which I gave him more than my bargain

21st john Warren got 40 Shad for which he paid me two Dollars and he paid me another Dollar and is to get 20 shad more for it and I made of a pail for Mrs Martain and my wife took it to her and jamey and Bob thrashed Rie and Jacob Hepper got 30 shad on Credit

23d I went to McGaws and got a pound of snuff and a pair of shears and 2 Gimblets and ¾ of a pound of Cotton for which I paid 42/ Bay old Tenor and I got an Ivory Comb on Credit of 7/ Bay old Tenor price and I went to the little meadow and we began to clear in the Governor lott

24th I qualified Hugh Orr a Surveyor of highways and I went to job Dows mill and got 3 bushell of Rie Ground and I had ½ a bowle of tody for which I paid ⅔ bay old Tenor and Thos Newman put a hoop on each of our pudding pann Kittels and would charge nothing for them

25th jamey and I cleared at the little meadow and Martha McInnosh got 47 shad and pd 5-6-0 Bay old Tenor for them and my wife gave her 6 more a present and Bob and David plowed in the field by my brors

26th My wife let David Sawyer have 30 shad and 10 £ of Salmon which pd up the last of the note for the oxen I bot from him the 22d of last April being two Dollars and jamey and I cleared at the little meadow and Bob and David plowed in the field by my brors

27th jamey worked all day at the highway by Thos Lances and I was half a day at the bridge by Zechariah Chandlers and it came on Rain that we left off and I shaved hoops for two pails in the afternoon

28th I worked at the bridge by Chandlers all day and I found 250 feet of pine plank to Cover it and we spread our flax in my Brors Meadow

30th I pd Robt McGregore all I owed him being 7/10 Lawful and I had 2½ £ of Loaf shugar from him for which I paid him ½ a Dollar and I had 2¾ yards of Brown Broadcloath from him on trust at 3 Dollars pr yard and I had a bowle of tody for which I paid 12/ Hampr old Tenor and Ensn Benjamin Vickere got 10 Shad to be paid in Indian Corn

31st I finished makeing a pail for Steven Frenches wife and my wife carried it to her and I paid james Houstons son john 25/ Bay old Tenor toward the 4 turning hooks he made our Bob

SEPTEMBER FIRST

I got 7 £ of shugar and 2 Dozn of Coat and a Dozn of jacoat Bottons and 2 sceans of Mohair and 3½ yds of ferrit from McGaw on Credit came to 2-14-3 Bay old Tenor and john McClary paid my wife 5 Dollars for shad fish and got away 40 and he has 60 more to get

2d I paid james Houstons son john 17/6 Bay old Tenor toward the four turning hooks he made for Bob and I went to the meadow to help the boys toward night and I Cut my left legg with the breaking up hoe

3d I went to Dows mill and got 1½ bushell of Rie Ground and I had ½ a bowle of tody at Kelleys and ½ bowle att Dows for which I paid ½ a pistereen and I paid my brors Betty 3-16-6 Bay old Tenor for 4½ yards of Cloath called Scy to line the coat I am about to get made

4th I writ a Deed from Henry Dow to Stephen Tuttle and took the acknowledgement for Tuttle both unpaid and I was so much out of case with the Cut I got on my leg last Thursday that I could not move all day.

6th Mr Hepper came to make the coat that I got the cloath at McGregores the 30th of last month and I writ a Deed from Samuell Rankin to Daniell Moor Capt and took the acknowledgement both unpd and I lay by with the Cut on my leg and jamey and Bob worked at the County Road

7th john jamey and Bob workt at the County Road and I sent to MacGregores (By my brors Betty) and got ½ £ of Tea a Skean of Silk and a quarter of a yard of buckram on credit

8th jamey and Bob worked at the County Road bridge

9th I went to McGaws and got 28 Black jett jacoat buttons for which I paid him one Shilling lawfull money and the boys tyed and Shocked what stalks were cut and there was a heavy shower of Rain just at night

10th I went to MacGregores and I got a Gallon of Rum for which I paid a pistereen and 2 coppers

11th I went along with Capt Daniell Moor and Lieut David Poor to assist in Runing the line between their home lott (viz) No 47 & 48 Capt Moor is to pay me a pistereen and a half for my service and Samll McKillup cutt and sowed up the Quarters of my shoes and Ensn Benjamin Vickere got 50 Shad and is to be paid in Corn and Cornet john Graham got 40 Shad to be paid next Wednessday at Amherst

13th I writ a Deed from james Barr to his son James of the Easterly half of his place and I took the acknowledgement for which young james paid me 2/ La: Mo:. and he gave me two shillings more to pay the Recording and sent the Deed with me to Amherst to give to the Recorder And I went to Amherst to help Examin the County accts

14th On the business of Examining the Goal accts

15th the Sessions met by adjournment but we could not get the accts gone through by Reason of the Superiour Court sitting and the sessions was adjourned without Day

16th I stayed and heard the Tryal of Isreal Wilkens for Killing his father Isreal being the first Capital Tryal in the County he was found guilty of manslaughter he was Branded next day with the letter T on the right hand

17th I Returned home I bot a pound of snuff from a peddler for which I paid 20/3 Bay old Tenor and I bot an ounce of Snuff and 6 Biskuit for which I paid 5 Bay old Tenor my Expences was 2-14-0 Bay old Tenor and I writ a Deed from Chandlers heir to john Morrison of the half of McDugal lott so called and took the acknowledgement for which Enos Bradford paid me 2/ Lawfull and Parker Emerson Summoned me in Lieut Poor and Capt Moors case and gave me a quarter of a Dollar and Matthew Little paid me two shillings to pay for the Recording the Deed he gave his Bror james Daughters

18th David McCleary Senr came and got 60 shad his son john paid for them the 1st day of this Instant

20th I writ a deed from Henry Dow to William White Senr of Dows land at penny Meadow and I took the acknowledgement all unpaid and I went to james Willsons in Newboston and got a bushell of Winter Wheat to Sow for which I paid him a Dollar

21st I attended the Vendue of the personall Estate of Francis Barnett and I bot 12 Cydar barrels at 1/ each and an old pair of leather Breeches 7/6 and I tarryed all night it was near morning before we broke up

22d I came home in the forenoon and I sowed two bushell of Rie in the field by my brors

23d I finished sowing the field by my brors I sowed five bushell and about a peck of Rie in it and I took my oxen to Silas Walkers to Pasture a little before night

24th My Oxen came home themselves

27th I went to Daniell McFarlands to try to get my oxen pastured

28th I took my oxen as far as Samuell McFarlands and he promised to take them to his Brors that Evening and I took the last of our Indian corn being 1½ bushell and 4 Quarts to Patees mill and got it Ground

29th I went along with john Neal to Goffestown to help apprize the Right of land that was Major Blanchards which he took possession of for Col Moulton Parker Emerson was the sheriff and Samll Richards of Goffestown and Ephraim Emerson of Wear was the other two apprizers

30th I got home in the afternoon Neal is to pay me he bore my Expences and I got Jese Karr to steel the toes of my horses fore shoes and sett them for which I paid them 1 shilling Lawful

OCTOBER FIRST

I got David Moor to sole my pumps he found all I worked for him while he was mending and which answered for his sowing them on the soles he charged which I paid 2 or 3 years ago by Runing lines

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM OCTOBER FIRST 1773

2d We settled our School house accts among the partners we Recd Stephen French and Zechariah Chandler in full shares with us that built it each of our parts in cash was 22 £ Hampr Old Tenor and each part in Labour & stuff was 31-3-0 Hampr old Tenor the bricks for the chimneys was not Reckoned we have them to Settle yet

4th the boys and I got in corn and put up husks &c

5th Hugh Ramsey got 40 shad which makes 160 in all this Summer for a Saddle and bridle from his son David that he is to get for me and Mrs Hepper got 6 shad and we husked corn and plowed

6th I sowed the bushell of wheat I got at james Willsons and about 13 quarts of Rie and we got in corn the afternoon

7th I went to Amherst and attended the Sessions and Examined att the Goall accts

8th I Examined att the Treasurers accts and attended the Sessions

9th I came home and got one half a pound of Tea from Lieut Baldwin for which I paid 16/ Bay old Tenor and two pound of redwood from Esquire Cuttler for which I paid 2/6 Bay old Tenor and in comeing home I got a pound of snuff from Alexr Brown for which I paid 20/ Bay old Tenor my Expences was 31/ Bay old tenor

11th I coppyed at off what Lieut john Parker had of a new play Visions Dreams &c

12th I went to Londonderry with Capt Daniell Moor to sit in a Referance in his case and Lieut Daniell Poors met at David Craigs and began the business and lodged there

13th there all day on the affair and and we all agreed in judgment and finished and broke up about two of the Clock in the morning and lodged there that night the Other Referees was Mr Robt Young of New Salem and Nathaniel Peabody Esquire of Atkinson we the Referees gave the partys a treat of half a Dollar Esqr Peabody and I had 2½ Dollars each And Robert Young had three Dollars for his notifieing the partys of the time and place of hearing and Returning the Rule

14th my Expences last night was at Craigs was /9 Lawful and I came to Col Hollands who invited me to breakfast which I accepted and came home in the Evening and I brot home about a bushell and a half of spring

wheat from Wm Morrows which Robt Forsith sent a present to me by him

15th jamey and I went to the Little Meadow and burned the brush we cleared this faull

16th I sent by john a little more than a bushell of new Indian corn being the first this year and a bushel and a half of Rie to Capt Moors Mill and got the Indian ground

18th we diged potatoes and john sett off for Coos

19th I went to Capt Moors to get the Rie ground but could not for want of Water and the boys got two load of Wood

20th we diged potatoes and I writ a deed from john Parker Junr to his Bror Matthew of his place in Litchfield and took the acknowledgement to be paid in money or Grain the first time I am at his house

21st we finished diging potatoes we have a small crop

22d I went to McGaws and got 7 £ of shugar and paid 25/ Bay old Tenor for it and I paid McGaws wife 38/ Bay old Tenor on Stephen Frenches acct toward his part of the school house and my bror paid me his part that remained toward the school house being 55/ Bay old Tenor and I paid it to McGaws wife at the same time being in the whole 4–13–0 Bay old Tenor and I went to McGregores and I got ½ £ of Tea and a Dozen of small needles and three Darning needles for which I paid 44/2 Hampr old Tenor

23d I sowed three bushell of rie on the land I had in corn this year and William Morrow brot me a Barrel of vinigar from Robt McMurphys and I let him have a Barrel full of shad fish containing 106 he found the barrel to put the Vinigar in and he has the barrel the fish is in for it he is to pay the fish in Corn they came to five dollars and a pistereen I answer his ferryage and I gave him share of a bowle of Cherry tody at Rands

25th I sowed a bushell of Rie on the land where the corn grew this year and I went to Ensin Kelleys with john Neal to see to help to settle about the land he attached for Col Moulton in Goffestown they chose 2 new apprisers (viz) Ensn Kelley and Benju Stevens and left me and Mr Emerson out and I swore them Lieut Patte and Phillip Farren paid the Expences they provided a Good Dinner and good Tody

26th I writ a petition for Hannah Barnett and my bror Samll to the judge of Probate unpd 2/ and I writ a Deed from Zechariah Chandler to Patrick Murfay and others unpd and I sowed allmost ½ a bushell of Rie and I went to john Bells and got the 4 bushell of Rie that jamey Patterson owed me it is about two year ago that I lent it to him to Sow

27th I finished Sowing what was in Indian corn of the old land I sowed there six bushell and about a peck and I made out my acct to Moses Barron for my apprizeing his fathers Estate and for my helping to make the Coffin it amounted in the wholl to 4–18–0 Lawful money

28th I went to McGaws and I got ½ a Gallon of Rum and pd a pistereen for it and I had a yard of Tamey on credit and I came to the little meadow to Run the lines between jamey Smith and me we run the line between us in the westerly tier of lotts but we could not agree to Run line in the Easterly tier he would have the overmeasure which his plan did not give him but it give it me Alexr Gillcrist was the Surveyor we

paid him between us his wholl charge was 5/ Lawfull I paid him two pistereens for my part and there Remains due to him from me nine pence Bay old tenor

29th I went to Litchfield to try to Settle the affair of Col Moulton seizeing no 6 in the Rang on the River in Goffestown john Neal and the claimers Settled the affair themselves they gave 100 £ lawfull to the lott and 10 £ a present they paid 2 Dollars to Neal among them and he gave me one of them toward my trouble Neal paid all my Expences at Kenndels only 6/ Bay old Tenor and my ferryage which 2/3 Bay old tenor and half a pint of W I Rum for which I pd 2/6 Bay old Tenor and I got 2 Ounces of pins from McGaw for which I pd 5/ Bay O: T: and Zech Chandler sent 3 Dollars to Docr Parker one was for whitefield Gillmur and 2 was for Thos Newman of Derryfield which I paid and got a Rect for cash and I recd 3-8-0 Bay old tenor toward his part of the school house and I paid it to McGaw as I went to Litchfield and I tarried at Nathan Kenndalls over night

30th I came home and gave old Mr Tuttle a Warrant against Ebenr Woods unpaid

NOVEMBER FIRST

last night I was taken with the Rosse in my legg and I got up in the morning but was so much out of case that I was obliged to go to Bed and I sweat freely

2d I lay almost all day and Sweat & Samll McFarland Cut my calves

3d I keept up about half the day but was very poorly and john came home from being at the 2 Cohosses he was gone a fortnight and a Day

4th I could not do any business the latter part of the week I got 4 bushell of corn Ground at Capt Moors mill

8th I drawed a plan of the work I did in Piermont for Mr Moses Little of Newburyport

9th I finished drawing the plan And I went to Samll McFarlands to attend an arbitration between him & john Tod and tarryed at MacFarlands over night

10th I sold my Sparked Ox to Daniell McFarland for 18½ Dollars ten dollars to be paid in 3 months and the Remainder in six months with Intrest till paid

11th I set out for Exeter a Mr Moses Little of Newburyport Desire With the plan of Piermont to the Tryal between Haverhill and Piermont and lodged at Towles

12th I started before Sun Rise and went to Exeter and put up at Capt Gillmans and found Mr Lowell and gave him the plan according to Mr Littles direction and he informed me that Mr Little went off for Newburyport the day and left no orders with Mr Lowell to pay me as I understood he would and I set out after I had breakfast and got home after night my Expences was 5-1-0 Hamp old tenor on this journey I have charged Mr Little for the plan and this journey horse hire and Expences Six Dollars

13th I took the acknowledgements of 2 Deeds for one Giles Alexander of

Boston in the township of Draper I went to Martains and Capt Walkers I charged half a Dollar which he paid

15th I went to McGaws and got half a pound of Tea for which I paid him 25/ Bay old Tenor and I got three bushell of corn Ground at Capt Moors Mill

16th I examined the proprietors book for Thos Bakers in Souhegan East and writ an acct of Record & I charged a pistereen and Lieut Weson paid it and I went to Samuell McFarlands and brot home my lind ox he was a fortnight at Daniell McFarlands and they almost 5 weeks at Samuel McFarlands he they would take nothing for their keeping

17th I went to Londonderry to john Pinkertons and got a bushell of salt for which I paid half a Dollar

18th Francis Dimond sent a boy of Widow Stewarts of Merrymac and got the 20 shad that john Warner paid for the 21st of last Augt and got 40 shad more that the boy paid the money for

19th We got William Barnett to Butcher our lined back ox he weighed 432 of beaf and 72 of hide and he killed a sow that we were fatting that proved to be with pig Se weighed 127 pound and I went with Solomon Hutchinson to apprize a hundred acres of by Thomas Boies of Alexr Orrs estate my prizeing unpaid

20th I went to Robt McGregores and writ two Deeds from jonathan Martain to one john Quimby of his place in Goffestown and I took the acknowledgement of both Deeds and Martain paid me a Dollar and I got a jack knif from McGregore for which I paid 18/ O: T:

22d I discharged a note I had given to Samuell Griggs of six pounds eight shillings new Tenor in March 1758 I had paid the tax on his land in Bedford sd year which was 5-9-0 New Tenor and I paid him the ballance which was 28/8 and the afternoon I went and Run lines for Robt Alexander and jacob McGaw about the third Division no 115 but found out nothing certain of the line

23d was on the same business for Alexander and McGaw but did not finish

24th we finished and made out the lines of it at night today I got from McGaw a Gallon of Molasses and half a Gallon of Rum and two ounce of plums and half an ounce of Nuttmegs on Credit

25th WAS THANKSGIVEING THROUGH THE PROVINCE

26th I went and divided the lott 115 between McGaw and Alexander and writ the Quitclaim between them and took the acknowledgement I charged them for all my Runing the lines dividing the writings &c four Dollars McGaw gave me credit in his book and Alexander is to pay two Dollars in Grain and I tarried over night at McGaws

27th I got 7½ yards of broadcloath from McGaw at 50/ Bay old Tenor pr yard came to 8⅓ Dollar for which I gave my Note to be paid the 1st of next May with Intrest from that time untill paid & jamey & Bob worked at the highway

29th john and I went and Run the lines of home lott no 42 on Merrimack River below Capt Barrons old place for Mr Gould of Chelmsford I charged a Dollar for my own time and half a Dollar for johns and jamey

and Bob worked at cuting stuff to bridge the run which with what work and plank I found for the bridge by Zechariah Chandlers paid my highway Rate

30th I Run lines for Matthew McDuffie and john Orr McDuffie paid me half a Dollar for half of the day and Orr owes me half a Dollar for the other half of the day

DECEMBER

First I Run lines for William Henry of Merrymac to be paid in Grain

2d was a Misty wet and I came home

3d I took three bushell of our own corn to Capt Moors mill and got it ground

4th I cut about 40 hoop poles and I went to Col Goffes to appoint when we would Run the lines at the Gore between Moses Vickeres and james Gillmors

6th I went to Meet William Low to Capt Allds to help to settle between him and William Howard about land that Howard had in possession of his which was accomplished I charged a Dollar and Low paid it and it Rained and I lodged at Allds over night

7th I came home and breakfasted by the way at Capt Moors and he and Col Goffe and I Run the lines of the Gore between Moses Vickeres and james Gillmors Capt Moor found a quart of West India Rum and some loaf shugar which came to 8/8 Bay old tenor and my Expences this day was 5/6 Bay old tenor and I paid McGaw 4–17–0 Bay old tenor being the last of Stephen Frenchs part of the school house money and 2/ Bay old Tenor old Tenor being being the last of Zechariah Chandlers part of the school hous money Frenches part I Recd from him yesterday and yesterday Thos Newman sett four shoes on my horse feet

8th I run lines for William Henry and I got two bushell of Rie from him and I got it Ground at Capt Moors and I had the toal and am to have the toal of all the Grain I shall have ground at his mill this year for pay

9th I Run lines for Capt Moor and Ensn Vickere to be paid in Equal halves and I took two bushell of Rie from home and had it Ground it was toaled by Mistake

10th it rained a Considerable quantity last night and Rains on today the wind at North and I writ a conveyance from james Martain to Zechariah Chandler of a quarter part of the Forge and was dated back to the time he bot unpaid

11th I Divided off 8 acres of Richard McAllesters place to his son john I charged two shillings unpaid and I Run the lines of Robert Kennedys old place for Capt Daniell Moor I charged 4/ unpaid

13th I went to Amoskeig falls to view our Eel place & I got half a pound of peper and ½ a bowle of Tody at McGregores for which I paid a quarter of a Dollar and I writ four advertisements for jonas Cutting and appraize Warrant for Heifer he intended to pound to Morrow unpd

14th Samuell and james Patterson and I went to work at the Eel place

15th Samuell and james Patterson worked at it and I came home and got james Martin to make a Drill and a bolt out of the dog part of our old adirons and I went up that night

16th and 17th we were on the same bussiness we lived at McGregores our Expences in partnership was 10 £ I paid 4–14–4 Hampr old Tenor of it and I lent james Patterson 20/3 Bay old tenr to help pay his and I got a cake of soap from McGregore on credit

18th I planed a tract of land for Lieut john Parker that his father bot for tax in Litchfield in the year 1740 and I writ a Deed from Silas Barron to john Aiken of the meadow lott No 29 in the ash swamp and I took the acknowledgement and Silas paid me a shilling for writing the deed and Aiken owes me for the acknowledgement and Silas gave me an order to one Morrow of Charleston for a fawn mooss skinn (that he has dressing for him)for a pair of Spaterhash as Silas had from me in the time of the last war and it began to snow about Dusk

19th it snowed all last night and some all day the snow fell about 8 inches deep

20th jamey and I cut about two jaggs of wood and in the evening I writ two Notifications for a proprietors meeting to be held at Capt Moors the 3d of next january

21st jamey and Bob cut wood and I brot two jaggs home and the cleavis hole gave way and we had to fasten a chain to draw by and in makeing a wedge to fasten the chain Round the spear I split the thumb of my left hand the A glanced on the bone and it cut quit through as far forward as the fore part of the Nail and back behind the joint in the middle of my thumb I did no business till Saterday the 25th

25th I went and got 4 bushell of corn from Nathaniel Clark toward what he owes me and I got a Gallon of Molasses a pound of snuff and half a pound of alspice 6½ yards of Red Quality and a Gimblett and a pint of West Indian Rum from McGaw on Credit and I took the corn to Capt Moors mill and got two bushell of it Ground the other was so wet we could not grind it and it began to Rain about Nine oclock and Rained very hard all the Remainder of the night

26th It Rained a good deal today and the Rain took the snow all gone

27th a pleasant day the Rain and Snow made a good freshet in the River

28th and the night before there fell about five inches of Snow it snowed all day

29th Wm Newman made a new link for one side of my treases part his iron and part mine and a new like for a Draft chain of Major Goffes iron and shut the link of another Draft chain

30th I went to McGaws and got seven Quarts of Rum and a pound of shugar came to 37/10 Bay old Tenor on credit on the Proprietors of this town acct for the sale of the timber on the school lott so called and went to john Orr the place of the Vendue and we adjourned to Next Monday to the house of Capt Daniell Moor at three of the Clock in the afternoon by Reason that Col Goffe could not get across the River to the Vendue

31st I took a bushell and about 4 or 5 quarts of Rie with me to Capt Moors and got it Ground and the two bushell of corn that I left there last saterday that I got at Clarks

JANUARY FIRST 1774

was a cloudy day and snowed a little and moderate

3d I went to Ensign Vickere and got 4 bushell of corn toward the shad he got this last summer and took it to Capt Moors mill and got it Ground and I attended a proprietors meeting there of this town and after the meeting was over Col Goffe and james Vose and I sold the timber on the lotts 21 and 22 in the 9th Rang to Wm Caldwell and Matthew McDuffie for 387 £ hamp old tenor we had a Gallon of rum & a pound of Brown shugar for the Vendue from McGaw and charged to me and Capt Alld and my bror and I sent for half a Gallon of West Indian Rum and a pound of loaf shugar I paid 5/9 Bay old tenor toward it & I had two ginues from Moses Barron to my appraizing his fathers Estate and I paid james Caldwell my province & county & school

4th I spent untill one or two of the clock in the afternoon a coppying off the articles of sale and the affairs of the Vendue for the purchasers of the timber we sold at the Vendue last night takeing their notes for the money &c and then I went to McGregores and got 12½ yards of Binding for my surtute and half a bowle of tody for which I paid a pistereen

5th I went to McGaws and I got a Gallon of Molasses and half a Gallon of Rum and 3½ Dozen of coat buttons and a stick of hair and a pound of loaf shugar for which I paid him 3-0-6 Bay old Tenor and jamey sent 4/6 to buy a pair of Garters and I got them for 3/4 and I brot him the change

6th a Very pleasant moderate day appeared like a weather breeder and began to snow in the evening

7th it had fell 4 or 5 inches deep of snow by morning and I went to McGregore and got a yard of Buckram and ¾ of a hundred of shingle nails and ¼ of a hundred of clapboard nails for them and Buckram I paid 14/8 Bay old Tenor

8th I went to McGaws and I got 4 yards of Shallon at 17 pr yd and 8 coat Buttons and a Stick of hair and half a Mug of W I tody for which I paid 10-3-1 lawfull money, and I left two meal bags at Ensign Vickeres to get corn in

10th a very cold day and the night very extream

11th the cold still continues and I writ a deed from William Barron of the home lott no 11 on Babusuck for which they paid me 2/ and the acknowledgement

12th the cold little moderated we got home two load of wood each day of yesterday and today

13th I writ a deed from Nenian Aiken to Robt Mathies and I took the acknowledgement Aiken paid me a shilling for the deed and I gave Robert the acknowledgement

14th was a snowy day it fell about 8 inches deep

15th I went to the forge and I got our andirons mended by William Newman the Dog parts they weighed 18 £ he mend a pair for us before by puting in new dogs about the same size

17th I went to joseph Palmers at Moses Senters desire and I filled up a Blank Deed and writ another and took the acknowledgement of three

Deeds I charged a Dollar and Senter paid me and I come to McGregores and I cashed up a parcel of Notes between Senter and Daniell McNeal and I got ½ a gallon of Rum and a pound of loaf shugar for which I paid him 47/ Hampr old Tenor and I paid three coppers for half an ounce of snuff and I paid him half a dollar for a pair of plated buckles I had from him last September as I Remember

19th I got 4 bushell of corn from Ensn Vickere which paid the 60 shad he had from me and half a day this fall Runing lines with the 4 bushell I had off him before and somewhat over but I have not settled with him yet & I got it Ground at Capt Moors & I had the toal

20th I went and got two bushell of Rie from Robert Alexander toward my runing lines for him this fall and I got a gallon of molasses and a pound of Snuff and a pound of Coffie at McGaws for which I paid 45/ Bay old tenor and I had the Rie ground at Capt Moors but I had not the toal through mistake

21st I sett out for Hollis by the way of Amherst and had Martains horse and was to do some business with the Comtee for the Goal for him and I got it settled in the evening at Smiths and I lodged at Hildreths and I Recd two dollars from William Caldwell for the timber in the school lotts

22d I set out for Hollis a very cold windy day and I got no money for myself but I got 3–17–0 L: M: for Martin from the Comtee yesterday and I came home my Expences was 1–11–6 Bay old tenor

24th I gave a new warrant to Mrs Hepper against Phillip Felix and a Coppy of the examination of her Daughter unpaid and I writ a Deed from Capt john Moor to Joshua Blodget of the 3d of Senters place at Amoskeig for which Capt Moor paid me 1/ and Blodget paid me 1/ for the acknowledgement and ⅛ toward the writing and takeing the acknowledgement of a mortgage from him to Capt Moor for security

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On the 21st Mr Hepper finished tayloring at our house for this time he has been here 16 days at this time and on the 22d james McClure went home from makeing shoes he has made 6 pair this time

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25th I went to Ensn Kellys and swore Samuell Richards and George Hadley to a Deposition to Timothy Faren in his case with David Abbot of Andover unpaid and I swore Stephen Tuttle concerning some Sheep he bot off Michael Faren for which he paid me 1/ L: M: and Kelly gave me my Supper and I paid him for half a bole of Tody I had there some time in the latter part of summer or the faull and I left there near two o clock in the morning and came home

26th I sleded home two load of wood and the boys brot one And I drawed a Complaint and Wart for Josiah Wood against Enoch Eaton with 7 Subpaenes come to 3/ 10½ unpaid

27th a very high wind and the snow drifted much and I went to Richard McAllesters and agreed with his son john and Richard for a thousand of Hoops for five Dollars if I please they to Deliver them at Goffes ferry when I call for them

28th & 29th got two load of Wood each day

31st I went to joseph Boices to a Seen meeting and lodged at William Morrows my expences was /8 La: Mo:

FEBRUARY FIRST

I came home in the forenoon and I drawed off an acct from the proprs book and a plan of this town for Esquire Henshaw of Boston of his 3d Division and Meadow at Samuell Moors desire on 2 papers I charged 1/ shilling each

2d I drawed home wood

3d it was a snow two or three inches deep and in the Evening it Rained

4th I worked at new Shoes for the Sled

5th I finished shoeing my sled and Thomas Newman fitted 8 ox shoes and made 47 nails of my iron and come and Shod my oxen he charged a Quarter of a Dollar and my wife and john came home from Derry and Chester

7th I got 1040 hoggshead hoops from john & Richard MacAllester junr att ½ a dollar pr thousand and I set out for Newbury Port with 540 of them and lodged at William Morrows

8th I got to Mr Blyes in Plastow and lodged there

9th I got into Newbury Port and lodged at Mr Prices

10th I sold my hoops to Mr john Little a cooper for 50/ Bay old tenor pr hundred

11th I Delivered them and I took two hoggshead of salt at 5 £ pr hoggshead I had it out of a Sloop and had 8 bushell to the hoggshead and a hoggshead to put it in at a Dollar and /20 in money and set out at two o Clock and came to Blyes and lodged there

12th I came to Robt McMurphys and stayed over the Sabath there

14th Robt McMurphy and his son Bob helped me with their Oxen to the toop of the hill on this side of joseph Bells and I came to William Morrows and lodged there

15th William Morrow came with me and his Oxen to this side of the River and I came about the middle of the afternoon my Expences was on this journey 6-12-6 Bay old Tenor and I bot ½ a pint of Spirits of Wine and a pair of Mittens for which I pd 21/ and I Recd a guinne from Capt Moses Little in part for the plan of Piermont and Going to Exeter to the Superiour Court

16th I went to james Pipers and I got a bushell of Rie and a bushell of Barly from him toward the fish he had from me last summer and I got the Rie Ground at Capt Moors and I had the Toal

17th I went to Robt Alexanders and got 4 bushell of Rie part of it is toward what surveying I did for him and I got it ground at Capt Moors and I had the Toal and I paid jacob McGaw two Dollars toward what I owe him

18th I went to William Morrows and I got 5 bushell of Indian corn by his half bushell and I took it to Alexander McMurphys and he Ground half of it and took no Toal and the other I left there the Mill was out of order and it gave me as much Meal as filled the bag full

19th was a considerable Rain and Snowed in the night before

21st I went to Esquire Rands and left 14-10-0 Bay old Tenor for Moses Watts to buy the twine and Rope for the scene 5 £- was for Jas Caldwell and 5 £- for my own right and two Dollars for William Nutt and I went in the afternoon to Hollis to try to get my pay for surveying in Cockermouth but got none and I came home in the Night my Expences was 10/8 Bay old Tenor

22d I set off for Newbury Port the sun about an hour high at night with 500 hoopes and I got Samuell Moors oxen and he helped me up the bank and I Set of from the River about dark and Drove all night and got down to Mr Blys before noon and I put up and stayed there till Thursday morning.

24th I got into Newburyport about daylight dawn

25th I sold my hoops to Capt Nicholas Tracey for 12-10-0 Bay old Tenor in cash and I got two hoggsheads of salt from Capt Tappen for which I pd 10 £ and I set off homeward about Dark and came to Mr Blys about Break of Day where I stayed untill Monday morning

28th I set off and hired a pair of steers from Mr Bly to help me as far as Capt Wears and then he sent his son john and his oxen as far as Robert Wallaces and then he came with his oxen to Runnells Capt Wears son nor Wallace would take no pay and I went and staid at Robt McMurphys all night

MARCH FIRST

Robert McMurphy and his son Willm came with a pair of his Oxen to the toop of the hill on this side of joseph Bells pasture with me and he gave me barrel full of Vinigar from thence I drove to Robt McClures and he came with a pair of his oxen to the River and helped me up the bank and Samll Moor and two pair of his oxen helped me up the bank my Expences was 4-18-2 Bay old Tenor I got home about an hour after Dark

2d I writ 3 Quitclaims for john and me for 4 Rights in Dartmouth to be signed afterwards one of them was from Matthew Little and another from jonathan Martain to me and one from Thos Boies to john of two Rights

3d I went to Samuell Turrills and took his Daughter Rachels examination of her being with child she swore it on one Enoch Emery of Dunbarton the charge unpaid

4th I run lines the forenoon for john McLaughlin and Thomas Lancey in the eleventh Rang and the afternoon I went to McGaws and I got a pound of snuff and a pound of Coffie on credit and I got 4 bushell of Rie from Robt Alexander on credit and I came to Capt Moors Mill and got it Ground and I had the toal

7th we had a meeting at Esquire Rands of a parcel of the old proprietors of Dartmouth and my brors Samuel lent me two Dollars and Capt john Moor found me two dollars and Abraham Moor one Dollar for to bear my Expences to Portsmouth to gain what knowledge I could concerning the old Grantees of Dartmouths title

8th I set out for Portsmouth and went to Major Tolfords and lodged there

9th I got as far as Stratham and lodged at Mr Chases

10th I got into Portsmouth in the forenoon and lodged at Moses Nobles

11th I got the weights and Measures from Noah Parker for the town of Bedford which I paid him for three years ago and I came as far as Greenland and I lodged there at Mr Folsums

12th I came to Major Tolfords and lodged there untill monday

14th I came home in the Evening my Expence was 15/10 Lawful money

15th I went to Hugh Campbells and Vendued a hundred acres of land (the estate of Alexander Orr for Solomon Hutchinson Administrator) and took the acknowledgement of the Deed and I got Mr Sauce to write it for which he paid me a Dollar and he paid me half a Dollar for apprizing said 100 acres

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MARCH 15 1774

16th I went to McGaws and I got 7 £ of shugar and half a Gallon of Rum and two Horn combs and 4 yards of Tamey and 5 coppers worth of tody for which I paid him 5-2-1 Bay old Tenor

17th I paid my brors Samll the two Dollars I borrowed from him the 7th instant

18th we had a meeting of the River district to appoint a man to get an Order from the selectmen to draw our part of the School money and they appointed me

19th I went to Hugh Campbells and delivered the weights and measures to the selectmen for which I took their Rect

21st I went john Bells and settled the order I had on him the year he was Collector my Minister Rates being 14/3 and a Dollar I owed himself made 20/3 and I Recd the ballance being 17-1-3 and I went to Capt Moors and I got 22 quarts of the wheat Robt Forsith sent us last faull and I had Toal

22d I paid for my brors johns half of the Rakoons skin that he and our john got 12/1 Bay old Tenor and William Morrow brot me a bushell and 12 quarts of corn toward the barrel of shad he had from me last faul which with what I got there myself makes six bushell and six quarts in all toward the fish and I went to McGaws and got a Gallon of Molasses and ½ a gallon of Rum and a pound of Coffie and 8½ £ of Cod fish for which I paid 46/10 Bay old Tenor

23d I went to Widow Barnetts and Drove the hoops on the Barrels that Zechariah and I bot there last Septr and I cut a small Wallnut and got 4 goad sticks out of it and I cut some hoop poles to hoop the barrels

24th I writ 2 advertisments for the sale of William Morrows place

25th james Martin shut the link of my old Draft Chain and made 17 horse nails of my iron on credit

26th I went to Capt Moors Mill and took the corn I had from Wm Morrow the 22d Instant with as much of my own as made 2 bushell and 4 quarts and got it ground and I had the Toal and I paid james Caldwell 12/6 Bay old tenor being what he paid me more than his part of the money toward Equiping our Sene

28th I Recd from Major Goffe 55/ Bay old tenor toward his part to fitting the Scene with a Dollar for the use of the Boat makes his five pounds Bay old tenor and I got 5 £ from Wm Newman being his part to the Scene and I sent the money to Moses Watts by james McClure who came over for it and I paid jas McClure a Dollar toward what shoes he made for me this Winter and I writ a Deed for Richard McAllster to his son james and a lease from james to him and two notes and I took the acknowledgement of the Deed unpaid and I writ a lease from Major Goffe to Stephen French of half an acre the back side of the school house unpaid

29th I went to Col Goffes at his desire to settle the acct between him and Capt Karr Capt john Stark was the other to help to settle their accts and we adjourned till Monday the 2d day of May next to meet at Robt McGregores at ten of the Clock forenoon for more light than the could give us now and john got a bushell of Rie from james Piper toward the fish he got last summer and he got it ground at Capt Moors

30th Was our March Meeting at which I attended and swore the town officers being 19 in Number

The constable and one Surveyor one hog rèaff and collector unqualified

31st I went to Londonderry & Vendued William Morrows place and Divers other articles and Tarried over night I lodged at Matthew Dickeys

APRIL FIRST

I tarried and Writ a deed of his place to one George Corning of Salem for 800 Dollars notes and other writings and he gave me a peck of Beans and I got ½ a bushell more and two bushell and quarts of corn toward the fish he had from me last faul

4th I went to Amherst to the choosing a representative for Amherst and Bedford we met with a great misput by Reason that john Bell our Clerk left our Warrant at home and had to send to his house for it it was looked on as a design We chose Col Goffe our Representative and I tarryed for the court

5 & 6th I attended the Inferiour Court on acct of Capt Moors case agt Richard McAllester I gave Mr Lowell a Dollar on the acct of the case

7 8 & 9th I attended the Sessions and I came home my Expences was 3-12-0 Bay old Tenor I bot a snuff Box and Snuff came to 5/4 Bay old Tenor

11th William Barnett golded 5 Lambs and 2 pigs for me and I went to Capt Moors Mill and got 2½ bushell of corn Ground and I had the Toal

12th I went to McGaws and four Bushell of corn from him for which I paid him two Dollars and I had as much Liquor as came to 10 Coppers and I paid it and I got the corn ground at Capt Moors & I had the toal

13th I got 4 bushell of corn from McGaw on Trust and I got it ground at Capt Moors Mill and I had the Toal and I had half a bowle of Tody from McGaw for which I paid him half a Crown Bay old Tenor

14th I signed a deed to john Moor Blacksmith of Londonderry of my part of a bit of meadow on Beaver Brook which was left me by my father MacMurphy for a Dollar

IT WAS THE GENERAL FAST THROUGH THE PROVINCE

15th I went to Alexanders and I got 4 bushell of Rie and got it Ground at Capt Moors and I had the Toal and I had ½ a bowle of tody at McGaws for which I paid half a Crown Bay old Tenor

16th I finished the leases from Major Goffe and Martain to Stephen French I charged four shillings Lawful Money unpaid and I went to Alexanders and got 4 bushell of Rie and had it Ground at Capt Moors and I had the Toal and I got 7 £ of shugar at McGaws for which I paid 1-5-0 Bay old Tenor and I took a bushell of Salt to Ensn Vickere to be settled afterward which will more than pay him what I owed him

18th john went to Robt Alexanders and got 4 bushell of Rie on Credit and got it Ground at Capt Moors mill and I had the Toal And I went to Widow Barnetts and Vendued her place Capt john Moor got it at 916 Dollars and we broke up about midnight

19th I went to james Gillmors in Merrymac and he gave me a peck of peas for my being his friend at Amherst about the presentment of the Roads and I went to McGaws and bot half a bushell of peas from him for which I paid him half a Dollar

20th I sowed the half Bushell of peas that I got from McGaw yesterday and I went and cutt an ash stick on the Road West from the meeting house and my brors john brot it home and I attended the adjournment of the March meeting and another meeting held by a new meeting they Voted not to allow my acct for geting the weights and measures as being extravagant

21 & 22d I made a pair of padles and almost finished a pair of Cannoe oarrs and I spent half of the afternoon waiting about writing the deed to Francis Barnetts Estate but did not Write them

23d I went to Capt Karrs and Swore 7 men to 7 Depositions concerning Mr Curriers conduct I went at Mr Benjn Stevens desire unpaid

25th I pd Richard McAllester my minister Rates for the year 1763 I had an order for 19 £ Hampr old Tenor and the Rest I paid in money and 8/6 hampr old Tenor over my Rates was 24-2-6 hampr old Tenor and I paid 24-11-0 Hampr old Tenor and I writ two deeds of Francis Barnetts place to Samll Moor notes & took the acknowledgement of Both deeds Hannah Barnett and my bror gave a Deed of 2/3 & she gave a deed of the other third I charged them 2/6 and Samll Moor as much Both unpaid

26th I burned the logs and stuff that the boys had heaped up on the new cleared ground and I went to Hugh Campbells to meet the Selectmen to help to settle for Richard MacAllester on the extant but none of them come but james Aiken and could do nothing and Hugh Campbell paid me half a Dollar for my paying the license for him at Aprill Court I paid for a mug and a half of tody

27th I sowed the flaxseed above the Barn and I went to Wm Wallaces to see Adam Dickey to know if he would send a line to the Goal keeper to take a note for the contents of the demand of the extant agt Richard MacAllester or take a note with the other Selectmen but he would not consent to do Either but the money or Richard into Goal I laboured the point a great deal but could not prevail

28th I went to Amherst on Richard MacAllesters acct of the Extant and Richard paid 4-12-10 L: M: to Lieut Fisk on the Extant and Richard Thomas Boies my bror Samll and I gave Fisk from under our hands to Indemnifie him in case the Selectmen Sues him before the Remainder of the money for the Extant is left in his hands and I tarried at Hildreths over night and I pd a Dollar for Richard to Mr Atherton

29th was a Rainey day and I tarried and heard one Daniell Willson tryed for stealing a mare from Hopkinton in the Bay Province from one john Chamberlin he was whiped 15 lashes and I came home my Expences was 1-9-3 Bay Old Tenor

30th I went to McGaws and I got a Quarter of Tea for Mr Hepper and 3½ £ of shugar which I paid 29 shillings Bay old Tenor and I got a quarter of Tea and a pound of Coffie and a pound and one half of sheeps Wool for ourselves the Tea I paid the wool and Coffie on trust Mr Hepper sent a Dollar which paid his tea and shugar and our tea and I owe him (viz) Mr Hepper the price of the one fourth of Tea for our selves being 16/ Bay old tenor

MAY 2d

john went to McGaws and got 4 bushell of Indian corn from him on credit for me and got it ground at Capt Moors mill and I had the toal and I went to McGregores to help to settle accts with Capt Starke between Col Goffe and Capt Karr but could not agree Capt Karr to our judgment I charged nothing unless they make a charge for such Services agt me and I got an ounce of snuff from McGregore for which I paid 6/ Hampr old tenor

3d I had my brors Six oxen and we cross plowed in the new field about two thirds of the day and it came on Rain the sun 2½ hours high and we left off

4th A verry cold rain and Sleet the wind at North or Northeasterly

5th We were to hang our Scene and we went and Waited at the River untill eleven of the clock and no person came from Londonderry And then I went to the Cedar Swamp and got 4 new Poles to Pope Thos Karrs and he is to bring them to Robert Richardsons tomorrow morning

6th I left Matthew Little have 2 Bushells of salt by his new slave Karrow toward my note that I gave him for his Right in Dartmouth and the Scene men come from Derry and I went and we hung the Scene and made a hall to try the Bottom and we agreed to meet next Monday to finish a Camp

7th I went to McGaws and I got a bottle of snuff & and a gimblett and a dozen of fish hooks and a coppers worth of Snuff for which I paid him 19/3 Bay old Tenor and I got ¼ £ of Tea at 16/ Bay old Tenor on credit and I got allmost a bushell of barley from my brors Samlls wife to sow

9th I sowed some flaxseed below the Well and the barley I got on the 7th from my sister in law and I then went to the Scene and Tarryed untill Evening and we hauled Divers times but got only a Succar and we made our Camp

10th I writ a Deed from Thos McLaughlin to jacob Hepper to the north half of the lott No 19 in the 11th Rang and two notes for the pay

13th I made part of a pail and I writ a Deed from Widow McInoshs childer to Samll Farley of their place in Merrymac unpd

14th I went to the Scene and john came after breakfast and we got 67 shad two of which the boys gave jonas Cutting we salted down about 64

16th john and I went to the Scene and I fished all day john got 3 shad and I fished Wm Caldwells right awhile and I got 3 on that and two afterwards on my own we Got 8 in all today

17th I made a pail and the boys planted corn

18th I fished in the Daylight and a little in the Evening and I got 9 shad and Bob staid all night and he got 3

19th I fitod soles on two poles for fishing and Bob and David helped john with the oxen to plow for Shade and jamey mended at the little meadow

20th I fished at the Scene the Daylight and I got 21 shad and john fished the night and got two

21st I went to the falls and I got six shad and I got a quarter of a hundred of Clapboard nails and a glass of Rum made into tody att MacGregores the tody I paid for the Nails I did not

23d we got 8 shad at the Scene and I writ a Deed from Wm Barron to Wm Dunlap of No 18 in the 6th Rang in Bedford and I took the acknowledgement for Dunlap and three notes for the pay I charged each of them a shilling L: M: both unpd and Alexander MacMurphy sent his daughter to the seen with about 1½ bushell of Rie and jamey gave her 5 shad being all he had att the time

24th john and I went to the faulls and I got 2 shad and we came home in the evening and I changed a new Nett for scooping with jamey Patterson for Twine to make a nett for our setting place

25th I knit a nett of the Twine I got off Patterson yesterday and Bob fished at the Scene and got 15 shad five of which we gave Mr Moor of New boston and two Bob sent to Wm Morrows wife by Adam Dickey

26th I went to McGaws and got 7 £ of Shugar for which I paid 28/ Bay old Tenor 27/ Bay old Tenor I borrowed yesterday from my jamey and I went to Amoskeig to fish and I followed fishing there untill the 17th of june I got 148 Shad I borrowed 10 of Col Starks son Wm and 3 of my own I gave Alexr Macmurphy toward what john got on his Right and I paid 5 of the 10 I borrowed of William Starke junr and the other 5 I owe him and ten I gave john Arrowin for snuff of the 148 that I got I got 18 out of the pot at the setting place I got 2½ Salmon out of the pot and 3 by scooping john sold 3 to Mollie McGregore that weighed 53 £ he took the money he gave me a Dollar and a pistereen and a pine tree peice And I and john and the boys got 708 Ells and 71 to Alexr MacMurphy on his half Right and I took a Deposition for Timothy Fuller of Middletown for which he paid me 20/ Bay old Tenor and I paid ½ a bowle of tody out of it and 29 Ells I gave Obidiah Hawes for makeing a horse Collar

18th I drawed a Wart for john Hogg on Rachel Turrills oath agt Enoch Emery for geting her with child unpaid

20th I went to Amoskieg toward night and I staid and fished Ells I got 23 and I let Robt MacGregore have them I got a pound of Coffie at 26 hampshire old Tenor and he is to give me credit for 20/ more for them

21st Matthew McDuffie came and Informed me that the town had Sued him for the timber he cutt on the school lotts and Drawed a power of Attorney from him to the Commitee that sold the timber to carrie on the case according to the articles of sale

22d I went to Col Goffes to see him about McDuffies being Sued but he was gon to Hampstead and afterward I went and See james Vose on the same acct and we concluded to meet at Col Goffes next Saterday Evening

23 & 24th I helped the boys to weed corn

25th I helped the Boys the forenoon and Enoch Emery and brot me a Certificate of his Marriage from Mr Currier and paid me a Dollar for all the trouble I had about the affair and I gave him a line to the Constable to Dismiss him and Thos McLaughlin sent me a Bottle of snuff I sent 15/ Bay old tenor with him the 22d and I went to Col Goffes with james Vose to consult on ye proprs being sued

27th I went to Esqr Underwoods desire to Abrham Moors and took in several Depositions for july Court and two in perpetuam with Col Goffe and the afternoon james Vose and I went to consult Mr Claget about the towns sueing McDuffie and we had to stay over night at Mr Whitemores

28th we waited on Mr Claget in the morning and I came to Esqr Underwoods and I brot the Captions on the Depositions I took yesterday and Esqr Underwood crosed me out of his book of what I owed him being 11 £ old Tenor for this and other services I had done him

29th I went and Run lines for Wm Barron unpaid and I went and lodged at Capt Allds over night

30th I went and Divided the 3d Division no 94 for Wm Arbuckle and Robt McCormisk and I run the line between Ensn jonathan Cumings and Mrs McInosh I charged them a Dollar Arbuckle paid me the half of it

JULY FIRST

I writ the Deed from Arbuckle to Robt McCormick and one from McCormick to john Jacobs and took the acknowledgement I charged 4/s Lawful jacobs offset 3/ that I owed him of it and the other shilling of it McCormick is to pay me and I went and Run the Rang line from Arbuckles land to Lieut Taylors N: W: Corner I charged 2/ and McCormick is to pay it the wholl that McCormick is to pay me is a dollar and I came in the afternoon and run lines for Samll Gibbson junr I charged 3/ Lawful unpaid Mr Gage joined part of what I did for Gibbson

2d I went to Amoskieg and took care of my net poles I put two poles with bows one of them has an Ell net on it and a new pole only Rough Shaved into Wm Karrs Chamber and I got a Salmon of 14 £ weight from Thomy Karr and he is to get his pay out of my Salmon pot if they catch and he and I set one on the upper place and he and his father is to set the other as soon as the water gets suitable for height

4th I went to Amherst to defend the suit that the town brot against Matthew McDuffie and did not get home until Saterday night being the 9th I Recd from McDuffie 3-2-6 Lawful on acct of his note to the proprs out of which I gave james Vose 2-5-7 Bay old Tenor and I gave Mr Claget and Mr Sargent 3 Dollars each and james Vose and my expences while

attending Court was 9-10-4 Bay old tenor which I paid and took Mr Hildreths Rects for it I attended the sessions 3 days and I Recd 5 Deeds from the Register that I gave him to Record and I paid me 9/6 Lawfull and he paid me 6 Dollars and two pistereens in cash more made 8 Dollars in all for 12 days attending the Sessions from the 1st of january 1772 to the 1st of january 1774 being one day less than I had attended and I did writing between Col Nichols and Lieut Caldwell that came to ½ a Dollar and Nichols paid me it exceept /3 Bay old Tenor and I administered an oath to Deacon Smith for Robt McCormicks wife which she paid me 1 shilling for and I bot a stamped handkerchief and an ounce of snuff and a quire of paper from Means for which I paid him 19/2 Bay old Tenor and I got a pound of snuff from Alexr Brown for which I pd him 20/3 bay old Tenor and 6/3 bay old tenor more for expences after our case was over on my own acct and I paid at Lovejoys on acct of the lawsuit of Expences 5/3 bay old Tenor & I pd Lieut Fisk on the Extant against Richard McAlester

11th I went to john Thomas to Run the line between joseph and Neasmith but Neasmith would not join and I run near the length of the lott and I went to McGaws and I got a pound and an ounce of loaf shugar from his Wife for which I paid her 8/ bay old Tenor

12th I writ three letters for Mr Worster one to Mr Livermore as attorney & one to Mr Thos Crawford and one to joshua Tolford to attend next monday as chainmen on a survey between the proprietors of Plymouth and Cockermouth I charged 2/ unpd

13th I writ two deeds the one from my bror Samll to Zechariah Chandler and the other from Zech to my bror Samll and shod steel 2 shoes at the toes and set them on my horses fore feet

14th Was Generally observed as a fast through this and the Bay province att the desire of the Committees of correspondance altho Mr Houston would not observe it in Bedford I and my famely keept and I went to Meeting in Derryfield and heard Mr Strickland preach from the 5th Verse of the 2d of Revelations

15th john mended up the seed plow and Sheds Man Sharpened the plow irons and I sheled about 3½ bushell of corn and the boys mowed the brush in the Calf pasture and Hepper made john a jacket he got the cloath at Kelleys and he paid him hepper for makeing it in money

16th I went to Esqr Blodgets mill with four bushell of Indian corn and got it ground and Wm Karr and I sett my Salmon pots at the foot of the falls and I had a glass of rum made in tody at McGregores for which I paid three coppers and I got a pound of Coffie at Esqr Blodgets for which I paid 8/ Bay old Tenor and Shed made two plates for my seed plow of my iron and We began to fallow the old field before the house

18th it Rained the fore part of the day and I went and got Samll McKillop to sew on a pair of heel taps on a pair of shoes of Suseys and close a little at mine that was Riped and I plowed the afternoon

19th I plowed to about the middle of the afternoon when Wm Caldwell came along and informed me that james Smith had mowed a peice of the Governor lott and jamey and Bob and I went up to the meadow and I

took Hugh Mathies with me from Caldwells and we went and found Smith at Work and we stayd till after night and we pold the hay off and came home there was 7 cock as Smith cocked it

20th jamey and Bob went to the meadow and them and Wm Caldwell mended the meadow fence and then the boys fell a Red oak and cut a cut off for posts and David and I went up with the team and brot the hay away and we spread it at home in the field and hayd it there was six cocks of it when hayed and I plowed some in the old field before the house

21st in the afternoon I Run the north line by the highway in the 2d Rang of home lotts for Zechariah Chandler and measured off 25 acres off on that side for Ensn Maclaughlin and am to write a Deed tomorrow

22d I writ a deed from Zechariah Chandler to Thos McLaughlin of the 25 acres I measured yesterday and my plow shear broke off on the steeling on the wing and I took it to Shads and his man Orr mended it

23d I sowed the Cow yard with Turnip seed there was a smart shower in the fore part of the day but lasted but a short space it was a considerable of Rain like clouds which came out of the southerly Quarter and thundered some a little before night and very Mugey warm

25th & 26th I fited at Rake heads teeth and bows and the Boys hilled at the corn

27th I went to Ensn Benja Noyes in Bow to arbitrate between him and Francis Knight with Col Stickney and Capt Chandler of Concord

28th On the business and drawed our award and the parties abid the award and Knight paid each of us the arbitrators a Dollar and Noyes gave me a note for thirteen shillings which made my pay which made 19/ in all for time and swearing evidences &c and last night I lodged at Noyes

29th I came home last night I lodged at Knights

30th I held the plow a plowing among the new land corn

31st I heard Mr Cook preach in Derryfield

AUGUST FIRST

I had a pair of Oxen from james Martain and I finished fellowing the old field before the house and the boys finished hilling the corn

2d we began to Reap in the field by my brors and we reapt 10 stooks and 11 sheaves and I borrowed a glass bottle full of Rum from my bror

3d we Reapt in sd field & carted in 20 stooks

4th we finished about the middle of the afternoon and we had 25 stooks in that field and my brors Samll and joseph brot the 5 stooks over and we began to Reap in the field above the Barn and I got some rum from james Martain but does not know exactly how much but I suppose about 3 pints and I spent the fore part of the night with Morrial and his man john Dobbin and agreed them

5th the boys and I Reaped in the field above the Barn and I drawed an order to our School Master for four Dollars on Mr jas Caldwell as Collector

6th we Reapt in the Field above the Barn and about nine or ten o Clock Stephen French and Wm Abbott came and Reapt untill night for my john helping him reap at Whitefield Gillmors we carted in 27 stooks and 8 sheaves that we Reapt in this field and in the afternoon I went to james

Moors in Goffes town and I got 3½ Gallon of Rum from him and I gave him a Dollar toward it which paid 3 gallon of it I am to have it at 15/ shillings Bay old tenor pr Gallon and I owe him for ½ a Gallon

8th we finished Reaping before dinner we have 58 Stooks of Rie in all this year we Reaped our Wheat but we had very little of it there was some Rie among the wheat & I gave Mr Currier a Summons and a Coppy of Records for which he gave me a pistereen

9th The boys and I went to the little meadow and john and stephen French and mowed and got up 19 cocks

10th my bror Samlle john Mowed with us

11th jonas Cutting helped us and we got all mowed Exceept the 2 Westerly lotts on the Squar and all that was down cocked and in the Winrow together

12th & 13th we got all in the cock we have 211 cocks there this year since we went to work there we have brot home 4 jags

15th we brot home two jaggs and began to mow in the meadow at home and in the afternoon I went to Jacob McQuades and writ a Deed from his sisters to him of the place and other writings I charged 4/ for all my service and his bror in law George Burns paid me 2/ of it and the other two jacob owes me and the Boys broke all the Slates in the bottom of the Cart body in bringing home the last load today

16th I went and hewed new Slats and mended the Cart and I paid Abraham Moor a Dollar for the one he let me have the beginning of last March before I went to Portsmouth for the weights and measures for Bedford & john got 1½ Gallon of Rum from james Moor of Goffestown

17th my brors john went with his fathers Team and brot a load of hay for me from the little meadow and I brot one myself Extream mugey hot and it came up a thunder shower in the afternoon and Rained a good deal and wet the ground considerable it Rained moderately all night it is the first Rain we have had for about a month the Drought has been a Considerable severe

19th David and I went to the meadow and Dryed some of the hay and brot home a load

20th We brot home two load and turned all the cocks upside down and Dryed the bottoms and topped them up again the last load as I was comeing home at Mr Caldwells I stopped by Reason of Zechariah Chandlers team being before me that I could not get by and when I went to drive away the Hogs was at the tail of the Cart and I looked to see that they were not about the wheels and I turned and Drove forward and the pig of Considerable bigness Run in before the near wheell and it went over the middle of the body and Killed it imeadeately it was worth two Dollars I suppos

22d Bob and David went to the meadow and brot a load of hay and I spent the forenoon on Robt Morrials and john Dobbins affair and Col Goffe came to my house and spent the forenoon likewise Morrial is to pay Col Goffe 2/s and Dobbin is to pay me two shillings for our trouble and it Rained 2 Showers as they were coming home and I sold our 3 Calves to Phillip Ferrin I am to have six bushell of Rie only if the youngest dies

but if it lives I am to have 8 and john Drove them up for him and I went and put in new Rungs in the body of Caldwells Cart that David Briant may Cart for me with their team tomorrow and I stayed at Cadwells over night it Rained a smart shower in the Night

23d Cloudy and Rained some the hay was so wet that we could not Cart about the middle of the day I took off the wet hay as well as I could of 10 cocks and brot the dry of them home it Rained a Smart shower on us as we came home and jamey worked all day and Bob about ⅔ of the day at the Graveyard

24th jamey and Bob and I went and cut 4 Rail cuts on Matthew Littles lott between and the little meadow and split 2 of them allmost they made 35 Rails

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM AUGUST 24 1774

25th it continued Dull weather untill near Evening and then it cleared off very pleasant and I got leave of Matthew Little to cut Rail stuff on his land that we began to cut on and the boys cutt one or 2 cuts more

26th David and I went to the little meadow and carried 24 Rails with us to the meadow and we dryed the wet hay that was on the Cocks and brot home a load & the boys dried at the hay at home in our own Meadow

27th Wm Caldwell brot a load of 14 cocks for me and I brot home two myself which finished bringing what hay had at the little meadow

29th I shelled two bushell of Indian corn and cleared up almost two bushell of Rie there was the scaterings on the floor in pitching this years Rie there was above half a bushell of it and the rest was old Rie and jamey and Bob brot in What hay was in cock in the meadow at home

30th john and I worked at the Graveyard and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from David McCleary to james Aiken james pays the acknowledgement him and I settled accts and he fell 10/ old Tenor in my debt of all affairs and accts by past and David went to his uncle Alexrs mill with the corn and Rie I fitted yesterday

31st David came home in the morning with the meal And I Drawed a state of the case between the town and the propriety and sent it by my bror to Mr Pickering for his oppinion in the case and to engage him to assist at the Superiour Court and I writ part of Capt Perhams Will there was a smart thunder shower this afternoon

SEPTEMBER FIRST

I Drawed Capt Perhams Will in the forenoon and the afternoon I went to Lieut Littles and Vendued his place in Goffestown it was struck off to Robert McGregore for 434 Dollars and he signed the articles I came away I suppos about 11 o Clock

2d & 3d We worked at geting posts and Rails beyond the meeting house

5th I went and Run Round the peice of land for Benjn Dow on the Easterly side of Piscataquog River and it came on Rain and wet me very much and I Run more than half of the north line and I got home a little before night & I took the acknowledgement of the deed for Dow

6th I pland the peice of land I Run Round yesterday and writ about

half the deed Dow sold it to David Abbott and the afternoon I went to the boys to the post and Rails beyond the meeting house

7th I finished the deed I began yesterday and I went to john Bells and Delivered the beam and Scales that my bro Samll brot from Noah Parkers last week for the town & I took their rect for them and they gave me an order for school money being 1-17-7-1 for which they gave me an order last march and I lost it was the Reason of my geting this

8th I took the acknowledgement of the Deed that I writ for Benjn Dow to David Abbott unpd and David and I went with the Team and took 50 Chosnut posts that we got on the ministerial land to the little meadow

9th We went to work at the posts and Rails above the meeting house and it came on Rain and the boys came home and I stayed and cut 3 Rail cuts and 2 post cuts I shelled about 1¼ bushell of corn

10th the wind very high at N: W: and cold we cut our Stalks a frost that touched the pumkins and bean leaves and some corn leaves the night following I drawed a Writ for james Caldwell against David Briant

11th Sabathday the wind very high at N: W: and cold a little frost the night following

12th I worked at the highway and jamey and Bob top poled the fence up the back side and the school master keept the forenoon and the afternoon he went to a Clearing frolick at David Moors

13th We that hired the school master mett on having Recd Word by joshua Gage from Dunbarton that they would hire our Master two months and we agreed to have him go and then Return to us and he set of for Derry and Returned in the Evening and brot a bottle of snuff and gave it to us and got what Tobacco we had I Suppose there was a pound and a half of it

14th I worked at the highway and jamey and Bob went to their uncle Alexr MacMurphys to help him to get his hay

15th in the morning between Day break and Sun Rise Lydia Hepper came and informed us that a number of persons came and Draged her husband away the night before and abused him and her they Broke one of her fore teeth out and much abused Her daughter Hannah I advised her to go home and be Quiet and say nothing about it and I went above the meeting house and I split 52 Rails and 30 posts and john Little sent for me to go to his house to Writ a Deed of his place and to james Eaton I went and did it and I charged 3s and they paid me Little paid me quarter of a dollar and Eaton paid me 1½ a pistereen and I had no change to give him

16th I worked at posts and Rails above the meeting house and David finished harrowing the old field before the house

17th joseph Dow came to my house in the morning and paid me 20/ Bay old Tenor for his bror Benjn toward my Runing lines Writing a Deed and acknowledgement of the Deed and I paid it to old Mrs McLaughlin toward tow cloath I had from her last year I owe her 2/6 Bay old Tenor yet of it and I went and split Rails above the meeting house

19th james Orr mended my plow Shear that was broke in the wing he had a good deal of pains in the doing it the charge unknown and I went

to a town meeting at Evening and the people intended to go to Amherst tomorrow to Visit Mr Atherton who Insisted on my going with them and they told me I must and Should go and that if I did not they would Viset me on which I said I would go

20th james Orr and Shed set the shoes on my horses fore feet and I went to Amherst and about 300 men assembled and chose a Commitie who went to Mr Atherton and he came to the people to the Court house and he Signed a Declaration and Read it to the people who accepted it he Invited them to go to Mr Hildreths and Drink what they pleased the people Dispersed about Midnight without Doing any Out Ragious act I stayd till morning

21st I came home and I coppyd a transcript of a highway in Goffes town from the proprs book for Ebenr Hacket

22d I coppyd a considerable more for Hacket in the morning and then went to joseph Dows junr in Goffestown and Writ a bill of sale and a power of Attorney from him to his Brother Benjn and I took the acknowledgement of each of them I charged 4/ unpaid And in the afternoon I went and Run lines for Abel Right of that part of the lott that Ebenr johnson formerly lived on that lys over Piscataquog but did not finish

23d I went to Benjn Dows and Run a part of his north line and fixt his northwest corner and I then went to Abel Wrights to finish the lines I was after yesterday but did nothing and I charged him 30/ Bay old Tenr for what I had done yesterday and today and he paid 25/ Bay old Tenor

24th Bob and the four cattle worked for Shad about ⅔ of the day and jamey David holed 31 posts and I split 55 Rails and I fell 2 trees more for Rails and Capt Perham paid me 2/ for writing his Will I writ it the 1st Instant

26th I drawed one warrent for Hannah Murphy against Titus houston and I signed another from Mrs Hepper against Titus houston and john Wallace the Constable took him and Col Goffe and I held a Court att the school house on him and we adjourned both cases untill Monday the 3d of October at nine of the clock in the forenoon

27th I went to Amherst to the Superiour Court to Defend the case between the town and Proprietors in favour of the Proprs and I Reed four Dollars for the Proprs from jacob McQuead and in the Evening I gave gave two of the Dollars to john Pickering Esqr in part of a fee as a lawyer

28th I had to come home for some papers and Evidences and I got back to Dinner I had Alexr Browns horse for which he would take no pay

29th Our case came on in the afternoon and the jury got it in the Evening

30th they gave their Verdict in favr of the Town for 11-10-0 Lawful and cost the cost was taxed at 9-11-6 the cost was taxed in the afternoon and I paid 6/6 of it and it was so near night when it was done that we could not come home

OCTOBER 1st

I came home my Expences and jamey Voses who attended the case with me at Hildreths was 6-12-6 Bay old ten^{r} and I lodged one night at Baldwins was 7/ Bay old ten^{r}

3^{d} Col Goffe and I met at the School house on the case between Titus and Lydia Hepper and her Daughter And Mr Houston and her agreed and we adjourned the Court to the 18th of November next at 10 of the Clock in the forenoon and I went to a training to Hugh Campbells

4th I went to McGaws and got 2¾ £ of Wool and some other articles to the amount of 2-11-2 Bay O: T: and I settled all I owed him being 19-12-3 Bay old ten^{r} and gave him a Note for it on Demand with Intrest untill paid

5th I got a Basket from Gardner at 2/ Lawful

6th I cut of 9 Rail cuts and butted 8 at the west end of Wm Barnetts land and I drawed a Compt and Warrant for William Bell against Eben^{r} Wood there was seven Subpoenas came to 3/10 ½ unpaid

7th I writ a pair of Indentures of james Grear to Matthew Little for Little unpd and Wm Bell and Eben^{r} Wood and Blasdel the constable came and settled the affair and I taxed the cost I set a fine of 4/ my fees was five shillings & I took his note on demand for my fees and the fine

8th I went to the little meadow and see what jamey Smith had been doing he made three new corners that I see as I suppose

10th I went to Col Goffes to consult what to do about Raising money to discharge the Damage and cost in McDuffies case and afterward to Lieut Little to see him on the acct of said lawsuit and had to go to McGregores and I then went to the falls and took my Salmon pot up the bank and I had half a bowle of Brandy tody at McGregores in company with Little for which I paid 3/ Bay old Ten^{r}

11th I sowed allmost 8 bushell of Rie on the old field before the house

12th I went to james Voses and he went with me to james Aikens and to john Bells jacob McQuead Matthew McDuffies and to Adam Dickeys to see about meeting and Settling the judgement that the town Gained of the Propriety We were moved by some threatening that jamey Smith had made to Math McDuffie it cost us the whole day we had half a bowle of tody at Hugh Campbells charged to me unpaid

13th We got in two jags of corn and all the Stalks out of the uppermost peice of corn And my wife got Mr Nelsons letter to his congregation from William Wallace for 20/ Bay money and she paid 19/ of it

14th I went to Hollis to notifie Major Hobart according to his desire what time I intend to go on the Survey in the dispute between the proprietors of Plymouth and Cockermouth my Expences was a pistereen

15th I husked corn and the boys did several overins

17th we finished husking corn in the forepart of the day and I set of about noon to see Adam Dickey to see to settle the judgement the town gained against the proprietors and the commitee of the town and james Vose and I met them at Hugh Campbells and we woried untill near daybreak but they would do nothing but the cash or the Execution must take

place I paid their and our expences it was 2/8 lawful and I paid /4 for the half bowle of tody james Vose and I had there the 12th Instant when we were on the same business

18th I went to McGregores and I got 4 £ of shugar and two mugs and a Quart of Brandy for which I paid 4/9 Lawful and I went to the falls and took out 8 stones out of the channel that leads to where I set my Salmon pot

19th james Vose and I went to Mr Caldwells and gave our Note to him for the six Dollars he lent to Adam Dickey to carrie on the lawsuit against the proprs to be paid in six months from the last day of Septr last with Intrest and we Settled with Wm Caldwell for timber we sold him he had paid us 4/ lawful of the price of it and the 4/ was put in his fathers note and then I went to the little meadow and divided the ground to build the fence on between Deacon Smith and his son james as far as we agreed about the line

20th I finished sowing the Rie on the corn land by the house and Barn how much seed I sowed I cant tell I suppos I sowed near or perhaps seven bushell

21st I set out for Plymouth to do the Survey P order of Court in the dispute between the Proprietors of Plymouth and Cockermouth and was on the Business untill the 12th of November being 20 working days I charged 9/s pr day I charged Plymouth Proprietors 14 days and Cockermouth 6 And Col Fenton paid me the whole money and I am to assist him to get the 6 days pay from the Proprietors of Cockermouth on the 29th of Octr I Recd 8/ from Esq Cumings toward my pay for Surveying in Cockermouth in the year 1772 & on the 12th I pd Gage of Pennykook 18/8 and Robt McGregore 36/ Lawful

NOVEMBER 14th

I went and Run lines for john Griffin senr and jonathan Merril I charged 4/ to be paid Equaly by them Merril paid me 2/ and Griffin owes me the other 2/ and I went to McGregores and I spent a bowle of Brandy tody for which I paid 9 $\frac{3}{5}$ and I paid him 1/ 3 $\frac{3}{5}$ for two quarts of Rum my wife had from him while I was out on the above Survey

15th I went to McGaws and got several Articles to the amount of 34/3 Bay old Tenor from his Wife and pd her the money and I paid her four Dollars toward a note he had from me And I went to Robert Alexanders and I paid him six dollars toward the Grain I had from him last Winter

16th was a considerable Rain

17th I went to Robert Kennedys in Goffstown to See a Stear he has for Beaf

18th Col Goffe and I met at the School house on Mrs Hepper and her Daughter Hannahs case agt Titus and both Mr Houston and them agreed to have the case continued and we farther adjourned untill the third monday of january next at ten of the clock in the forenoon to the same place

19th I worked at drawing out my acct against the Proprietors of Narragansett Township No five but did not accomplish it Considerable windy cold day and jamey and Bob cleaned up 14 bushell of Rie

21st Was a cold Sharp air and it began to snow about Daylight dawn and Snowed all night the wind high at N: E:

22d it snowed all the fore part of the day tho moderately it fell about 10 inches deep a wet solid snow and I finished drawing my acct against the proprietors of Narragansett township No five with what I stand bound for the ballance in my favor is 13-1-6 lawful money james Vose and me is bound by our note to james Caldwell for 40/ four of which belong to Wm Caldwell which 40/ is in the 13-1-6

23d I took a bushell of corn and went to Griffins Mill and got it ground Exceept about 2 quarts and went to see a fat ox of Ezekiel Stevens but we could not agree and I had two half bowles of Tody at McGregores with my ferriage came to nine pence lawful which I paid and I got an earthen poringer that I did not pay that the could not tell me the price Robt was not at home

24th Was the General thanksgiving

25th a Great Rain and we shelled out 4 bushell of corn

26th I went to Capt Moors mill and got ground and I had the Toal

28th I went to Capt Moors mill and I took 2 bushell of corn and 2 of Rie with me and Sarah Riddel ground it but I had not the toal and I Run the Rang line from the 2d divisions to Col Nichols by john Burns for Capt Moor and Burns and I lodged at Capt Moors

29th I Run the lines of the 50 acre lott that Capt Moor had from his father at the north end of Strawburry hill john Orr joined on the South side and Deacon Wm Moor on the north and both attended the Runing of the lines

30th was a Rainy day and I got james Orr to flaten the end of the tonges to lift with

DECEMBER FIRST

I went to McGaws and got 7 £ of shugar a pound of Coffie an Ivory comb 21 sheets of paper and ½ a bowle of Tody for which I paid 58/ Bay old Tenr

2d we butchered 2 of our hogs they weighed about 200 £ both and I got james Orr to make three new links of my Iron and put them in my old Draft chain and Straighted the twisted links

3d I went to the west end of Wm Barnetts land and I split out 63 Rails being all the Rail cuts that I had cut there and brot home the Betle and wages

5th I fitted our looking Glass to set it up and it Rained moderately all day and Bob and David Went to School and began to write being the first of their trying

6th james went to School and began to Write being his first trial and Bob and David plowed And I let james McAllester have two Bushell of Salt for his Bror Richard toward his part of the Hoops I had from him and john last Winter

7th I writ a letter of a considerable length to Edward Tinkerman of Boston concerning his Fathers land in this town in answer to his to me of the 2d of Novbr last And I went to McGaws and I got a Bottle of snuff a

Quire of paper and half a bowle of tody for which I paid him 25/ Bay old Ten^{r} and I Recd a Dollar from james Piper toward the shad fish he had from me Summer was a twelve month

8th I put out a Cow to David Rowel for three years I am to have the first calf she has to be Delivered at three years old and if either of us sees cause I am to have the cow the 12th of next may and her Milk is to be the pay for her keeping And I paid Nathan Shed a Dolar toward the work he has and will do for me and I got james Orr made a new shoe of my Iron and one of his iron and set them on my horses fore feet he Steeled the heels and Corked them and I went and lodged at Sam^{ll} McFarlands

9th I went and showed Philip and Eben^{r} Ferrin my lott in the 4th Rang they got Alex^{r} Gillcrist to Run Round it we found all the corners Exceept the N: E: they are all large heaps of Stones and I went to Newboston and lodged at Betty McCollums a Stormy day of snow and hail and some wett among it

10th I went and see Hugh Gregg and then went with Andrew Walker to Esqr Clarks And he owed Andrews son Andrew and he owed his Father and his father owed me And I took and order from Esqr Clark on Esqr Cuttler for what Old Andrew owed me being 8-18-7 and I gave Andrew up his note and old Andrew gave young Andrew up his note and I lodged at Esqr Clarks

11th I went to Meeting in Newboston and came home in the Evening

12th I fitted at a new spear for our Wood Sled john Hewed the spear and Rowler before

13th jamey and Bob got home three loads of wood and I cleared the sticks and stuff about the door

14th I went to Capt Moors Mill and I took two Bushell of Rie and a bushell of wheat what we had for winter wheat and got it Ground and I had the toal And I went to McGaws and I got 2 Gallon of Molasses 2 ¾ £ of Red wood and 2¼ of Logwood 1½ of Alum 1 £ of Copperus 1 £ of Coffie ½ a bowle of tody and 4 yards of Quality and ½ £ of Madder for which I paid him 3-13-2 Bay old Ten^{r}

15th was a Rainy day and I went and got Shed to new temper one Ax and Shut the Eye and upset and temper another

16th We Butchered a Sow and a barrow they weighed 314 £ and I lent my bror Sam^{ll} a bushell of Salt And I lent Thos McLaughlin a peck of salt

17th the boys and I went with the Team and hauled 140 Rails and 11 posts to the Road between and the little meadow we got about 120 on Matthew Littles land and the Remainder and the posts we got on my brors land

19th I got Shed to lay an ax for me it was a Rainy day the wind checked to the Northwest very quick in the evening and blowed Extremly high it broke an apple tree off in the Middle a little N: W: from the house

20th Was a Very cold windy day and I Rambled through the woods looking for shingle stuff

21st I set out for Amherst and took 4 bushell of corn to Capt Moors mill my business to Amherst was to get the money for Esqr Cuttler on the

acct of the order that Esqr Clark drawed for me on him but he could not pay me any and I lodged at Hildreths I tarried overnight on Esqr Shepards affair

22d I came home and brot home the meal from Capt Moors my Expences was with an ounce of Snuff and a pound of powder that I bot came to 1-19-8 Bay old tenr

23d I got james Orr to make a new shoe of his iron and Steeled the toe and heel and Steeled the heel of another and set them on my horses hind feet

24th I went to Lieut john Pinkertons and I got 20 £ of cotton and a bottle of snuff and small punch bowle the Cotton 12/ Bay old tenr pr pound the Snuff was 14/3 and the punch bowle was 8/3 all Bay old tenor and I paid for the snuff and the bowle and for half of the Cotton the other half I am to pay in a month

26th It fell a snow about 3 or 4 inches deep and crusted a little and Rained a considerable

27th We all hands got wood we got three load & I let Nathan Shed have a note I have against jonathan Currier of six shillings with Intrest untill paid it was dated the 13th of Janury 1767 the Intrest came to 2/9 and I charged him with it on book

28th We got home one load of wood and it began to snow and snowed very hard and fell about a foot deep it snowed all the Remainder of the day and considerable in the evening and spit snow all night

29th it continued cloudy and some piles of snow fell the wind at N: N: E: all this storm and was very tedious to endure and I split 194 Barrel Staves

30th We got home 3 load of wood

31st I hauled 20 baskets of Coal for Shed and we got home 2 load of wood

JANUARY 1775

2d Bob and I went and brot out 152 Rails and 62 posts to the Road from the west end of William Barnetts land and we brot 36 Rails home

3d I took 3 bushell of Rie to Capt Moors mill and got it ground and in the evening I drawed a Writ for john Bell against jonathan Currier unpd

4th I went to McGaws and got 8½ £ of Cod fish and 2 £ of shugar on Credit came to 1-1-5 Bay old tenor and I had ½ a bowle of tody for which I paid him 2/1 Bay old tenor for

6th I took 4 bushell of grain two of corn and two of Rie to Capt Moors Mill and got it Ground and I had the Toal and I went to McGaws and I got 2 £ of Raisons and a quire of paper on credit and I had ½ a bowle of Tody for wich I paid 2/6 Bay old Tenr and came by Capt Moors Mill and brot home the meal and I sent the order I had from Esqr Clark on Esqr Cuttler by my bror Samll to Esqr Cuttler to get the money

7th we butchered our hog being the last we have to kill this Winter he weighed 206 £ and my Bror Returned the order that I sent to Esqr Cuttler unanswered

9 & 10th We got home 3 load of wood each day

11th We got a load of Wood to the School and I set off for Haverill for sole leather and lodged at Robert McMurphys

12th james drawed about 45 or 50 bushell of Coal for shed and I went to Haverhill and lodged at Capt Greenleafs

13th I bot a side of Sole leather from Mr Benjn Moors of 17 £ weight at a pistereen a pound and I got 14 coppers worth of snuff a fun (?) card an Almanack from Nathan Blodget for which I paid 11/11 Bay old tenor and I got ½ £ of peper and a pound of Coffie from another man for which I paid 18/9 Bay old tenor my Expences at Greenleafs was 16/3 Bay old tenor and on the Road was 6/2 Bay old tenor and I came home before bed time on yesterday Esqr Dow paid me 15/ Bay old tenor being what Remained due on his part of the last note that him and his bror job and Mr Favour gave me for the land they bot of me in Goffestown and he gave me my Dinner

14th I went to Sheds to get a shoe set on my horses fore foot but could not and I went and cut 11 walnut hoop poles on my brors lott by Deacon Littles

16th Col Goffe and I Met on the affair of Mrs Hepper and her Daughter they settled the affair themselves and Mr Houston paid the cost

17th Shed set a Shoe on my horses fore foot the shoe was mine Ready fitted Exceept sharping and I cut 40 hoop poles N: W: from the meeting house and I went to Deacon Walkers and did as much Writings as come to 5/ Lawful for john and I would not take anything for it

18th I went to Lieut Pinkertons to our sceen meeting we voted to Rais a Crown Sterling on a Right And I paid Pinkerton 6 £ Bay old tenor for 10 £ of Cotton I had from him the 24th of last Decbr and I got a Gallon of Molasses from him for which I paid him 2/ Lawful

20th I went to Capt Moors mill and took with me 2 bushell of Indian corn and two of Rie and had it Ground and I went to McGaws and got 2½ £ of pigtail tobacca came to ½ a dollar and I paid him two pistereens of it and David and Bob cut about one half a hundred of Oak hoop poles between and the Causway

21st I and Bob went with the Team and got the 40 poles I cut the 17th and about on Chandlers and the Ministerial we got so as to bring home a load with part of what Bob and David cut yesterday

24th I sent the order I had from Esqr Clark on Esqr Cuttler by Richard McAllester to get the money and he paid Means a note he had of mine of 2-10-0 and Intrest for 8¾ months and he paid to Cutler for the Remainder of the Extent the town brot against him for Rates 1-8-4 Lawful and the Remainder he brot me in cash and Cutler sent me a months Intrest

25th I went and Run lines for David Moor and Thos MacLaughlin I divided Thos 30 acres of that lott that him and David Moor bot from james Patterson by Lieut Voses and jamey and Bob cut a hundred hoop poles on Samll Moors land we have cut 2½ hundred of hoop poles on his land in all

26th I went to Samll McFarlands and took 5 Depositions for him and Daniel in their case with Enoch Page and I staid at Samll McFarlands all night

27th I got 1500 of hay from Samll McFarland and he got his bror Daniels oxen with his own and brot it home to my Barn

28th I got about 1000 £ of hay from William Newman

30th I went to McGregores and I got 3 £ of Shugar a pound of Coffie half a Gallon of Rum and a quart mug and half a bowle of Tody and a Horn comb and a poringer I got there the 23d of last November for all which I paid him 5/6 lawful

31st I attended the funeral of Deacon Walkers son john who Died the 28th and I let our john have a dollar

FEBRUARY

1st I Run the lines of the home lott No 39 on Merrimack River for Capt john Moor and his brother Samll and jamey and Bob cut fence loggs for Mr Shed it was a frolick

2d I went to Esqr Blodgets and took a bushell of Indian corn and a bushell of Rie and got them ground and I got a Quire of corse paper there for which I paid 8 pence lawful and I had ½ a bowle of tody at McGregores for which I paid 4 pence lawful

3 & 4th Hugh Orr shaved hoops for me on acct of what he owes me and a Writ he is to pay me for that I gave james Caldwell against David Briant and I worked at finishing the plan of the Survey I did this fall and I pd Samll McFarland 2 dollars toward the hay

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM FEBRUARY 4th 1775

6th I set off from Portsmouth with the plan of the survey I did this faul at the desire of the Proprietors of Cockermouth (viz) Col Hale Majr Hobart and Mr Ames and lodged at Robert McMurphys

7th I arrived at Portsmouth

8 9 & 10th the case was decided and we Settled with Mr Livermore Col Hale and Majr Hobart for my journey I charged 14 Dollars for my journey being 7 days at 2 Dollars pr day and to be paid by the plant and Defts in Equal halves and Col Hale and Majr Hobart paid me 4 Dollars of their half

11th I set out from Portsmouth about one of the Clock in the afternoon and came to Majr Tolfords and lodged there

12th I came home being Sabath day and Snowed all day it fell 5 or 6 inches deep

13th I lay by only Shaving 10 or 11 hoops

14th I shaved ½ a hundred of hoops

15th I went to Col Lutwyches to Settle my Note and my averige out of Capt Parkers Estate but he was at Esqr Clagots and did not got it done and I got a Gallon of Molasses and 5 pound of Shugar from McGaw on Credit and I had ½ a bowle of tody at McGaws for which I paid 2/6 Bay old Tenor

16th I went to Capt Moors mill and took 2 bushell of Indian and 2 of Rie and got them ground and I had the Toal and I Recd 55/ Bay old Tenor from Augustus Blanchard for my Service about some land in Goffestown

last year and he sent a Dollar to Col Goffe and another to Capt Walker for their service and Hugh Orr shaved hoops for me he shaved 240

17th jamey Orr made some ox shoes for me of my iron

18th We settled with our school master and my part that I owe him now is 3½ Dollars and a pistereen more than he has got And I gave George Hogg a writ and Summons against Adam Dickey and a Summons for three witnesses unpaid

20th I went to MacGregores and I got a sken of Silk and an Earthern Pitcher and mug for which I paid 13/4 Bay old Tenr

21st Was a Meeting at Amherst of Amherst and Bedford to chuse a Representative which I attended and Was chosen Moderator and We chose Paul Dudley Sergant to Represent the two towns he had 74 votes and Col Goffe had 47 and I was chose one of the Commitee to prepare instructions for Mr Sergant and I lodged at Mr Hildreths

22d I came home I got a Quire of paper and a pound of Coffie and ½ an ounce of Snuff from Means for which I paid 19/3 Bay old Tenor and I got a snuff box from Mr Keen for which I pd 5/ Bay old Tenor and I got 2½ £ of Chalk for which I paid ¾ Bay O: T: and I had a shoe set on one of my horses fore feet for which paid 2/6 bay old Tenr my charges at Hildreths was 17/3 bay old Tenor yesterday I writ a Deed from Wm Low to Aaron Gage of lows place and I went by Lows and took the acknowledgement Gage paid me 2/ for going that way and takeing the acknowledgement and Low paid me a shilling for writing the Deed

23d I got jamey Orr to almost finish a pair of Nippers of my iron a Stormy day from the N: E:

24th Orr finished makeing my Nippers and mended one of the tines of my hay fork and Shed laid an ax for me

25th I went to Philip Ferrins and got 4 bushell of Rie by his half bushell but I measured two bushell of it by the standard in Bedford and it lacked three quarts and almost a pint so that the 4 bushell fell short almost seven quarts And I took it to Capt Moors mill and got it ground and I had the Toal I had the Rie from Ferrin toward the 3 Calves he had from me last Summer

27th I went with the Master to Martins and there I drawed james Voses acct on the proprietors of this town and then I went to john Bells to the Selectmen and I got an order on john Bell for 0-15-7-3 and another on john Wallace for 0-3-4-1 in lieu of an order I had on Richard McAllester in the year 1763 of nineteen pounds old Tenor and I spent half a bowle of tody for which I paid 2/6 Bay old tenor

28th I made a new glass for my Compass and Repaired which has lyn out of order since it was broke when Robert McClure borrowed it the last day of last jan

MARCH FIRST

I went to job Dows in Goffestown to View and Value a lott of Col: Atkinson (viz) No 2 in the 5th Rang south side of Piscataquog for Mr Purmitt of Merrymac it was a Stormy day it fell about 2 inches of Snow we could not Run the lines of the lott and only went across it my Expences was 2/ Bay old Tenor at Dows Samll McFarland Settled his case

with Enoch Page and Page paid him 10/ Lawful for my going to Goffestown and takeing four Depositions for McFarland and I alowed McFarland to keep the pay as I had not paid him enough for the hay I had from him this Winter and I came home at 10 or 12 of the clock at Night the wind high & cold & Capt Melvin pd my wife 3 dollars their part for my journey to Portsmouth

2d james Vose and I went to Esqr Clagets and Harvils and about in Litchfield to try to borrow money to pay Capt john Moor and his bror Samll the money that Vose and my bror Samuell borrowed from them to pay the cost of the suit that the town brot against Matthew McDuffie And I filled a Blank Deed from Benjan Baxter to jacob McGaw and took the acknowledgement Mc. answered a shilling in the price of a pair of Cotton Cards I had from him this day the Cards was 4/ Lawful and I paid him ½ a Dollar more for the Cards and I paid him /4 Lawful for a bowle of tody that Vose and I had

3d I paid our School Master two Dollars and 36/ Bay old tenor which with 2 Dollars I paid him before made my part of his wages in which was ½ a pistereen being my part of ½ a dollar that is wanting of his wages in Dunbarton that is comeing to us

4th I went to Philip Ferrins and got two bushell of Rie being the last of the pay for the Calves he had from me last faul and he made me an allowance for the smallness of his half bushel of all I had from him and I took it to Capt Moors Mill and got it ground and I had the toal

6th I sett out for Portsmouth in the Dispute between the Proprs of Plymouth and Cockermouth and tarried the 18th I Returned home I charged Eleven days at two Dollars a day Col: Fenton paid me the half being 11 Dollars and Maj Hobart paid me three Crowns toward the other 11 Dollars and the Remainder being 7⅔ he and Col: Hale owes me yet my expences with some trifles I bot was 8⅓ Dollars while I was in Portsmouth I writ a lease for Nathaniel Sheaf Griffeth and Hugh Montgomery for which I charged 2/ which they paid

20th I went to Robert Alexanders and gave him Six Dollars which paid him for all the Rie I had from last year (with what I had paid him before) and four pistereens over and I got four bushell of Rie from him this day and I sent it to Capt Moors mill by Capt Moors team and I got 7 £ of shugar and a pound of Coffie and an ounce of Onion seed and ½ a bowle of tody from McGaw for which I paid him a Dollar

21st I fitted the fore part of the day at my compass & the afternoon I went to Capt Moors and got the 4 bushell of Rie I sent there yesterday ground and I had the toal

22d I Writ a Summons for Capt Walker in his son Silas and john Littles case for four Witnesses and I went with Calvin Johnson and Run the lines of the lott that he has bot from Enos Bradford in the Sixth Rang and then I went and Run the East end of the two lotts he got in the fifth Rang and the south side unpaid

23d I went to Capt Walkers and spent the day arbitrating between Silas Walker and john Little with james Martin and james Vose we charged nothing for our trouble

24th I writ a lease and counterpane for Samuell Moor and Amaziah Pollard of Moors place I charged half a Dollar they promised to pay it in Equal halves

25th I writ a Deed from Matthew Little to james Cairns of the half of his home place and Cairns came for me at Bed time and I went with him to his uncles and took the acknowledgement of the Deed and sit the whole night in Drawing Matthew Littles Will and finished between break of Day and Sunrise and he Signed it and I came home the fore part of the day

26th james Little came about one or two of the clock and informed me that his bror wanted to have some addition and and some alterations and I went to writing and writ till night

27th I got to Writing and Cairns came and said that his uncle wanted I should go there and I went and allmost finished the second draft and by Reason of some further thoughts I had to Draw a third and finished and had it signed after night and I came home about Bed time and Matthew gave me six sheets of paper

28th I writ a Deed from Isaac Marston to William Palmer I charged 40/ old tenor for it and the acknowledgement they paid me 37/6 old Tenor of it and Palmer owes me 2/6 old Tenor yet

29th Was our annual meeting which I attended and Swore the town officers and I swore the Commitee that set off james Steels Wifes thirds for which Steel paid me a shilling

30th I went to Robert Alexanders and got four bushell of Rie and took it to Capt Moors mill but could not get it ground And I went to Hugh Campbells and Vendued his farm to john Manoughan for 398 Dollars & I Vendued several other articles We finished about 1½ hour before break of day I stayed all night

31st I assisted Hugh Campbell in Drawing the Deed and Settling with Thomas Boies untill about 10 o clock I charged 1½ Dollar and Campbell paid me the money and one Mr Holebrook from Killingsly came to get some information about some land of his fathers in this town I gave him a line what I thot the Value was he urged me to take a pistereen which I did after considerable urging

APRIL FIRST

I went to Capt Moors mill and got the Meal of the Rie I took there on the 30th Ult and I had the Toal and as I was comeing home I took the acknowledgement of a mortgage Deed from john Manoughan to Thomas Boies of Hugh Campbells place that he sold to said Manoughan Day before yesterday for which Manoughan Gave me a pistereen and I could not give him the change and he gave me ye overplus

3d jamey helped his uncle john and Bob & David and I cut wood split two pine trees for wood

4th I Went to Amherst to Arbitrate between William Gordon and Thomas Murdough with Col: Lutwyche and Esqr Fletcher and we adjourned at Murdoughs Request till Thursday for his bringing some papers

from Hisborough which was occasioned by Gordons laying in a demand of Two notes which had been Settled before

5th I writ a Deed from Enos Bradford to Calvin johnson of three 50 lotts in Bedford and a Mortgage of the same to Bradford for security

6th we met and on the 7th and finished the arbitration Murdough fell 32–7–10½ Debt the cost of Rafferance was 3–5–0 the cost of court to be taxed at court Murdough paid my Expences at Hildreths I Recd Two Dollars for my time from Col: Lutwyche for Mr Godon I sit the Remainder of the days in the Sessions and finished the Session and I paid Lieut Hildreth 2–2–6 Bay old Tenor being the Remainder of james Vose and my Expences at the Superiour court last September and came home in the night

9th I paid james McClure a dollar toward what shoes he made for us

10th I went and Run the lines of jacob Freezes lott and William Barnett is to pay ¼ by Gelding my calves lambs &c and Nathan shad is to pay another ¼ and Freize is to pay the one half I charge ½ a dollar in all and james Orr mended the Straps of my Spade

11th I finished drawing one of the leases of the School lotts to Hugh Campbell and he promised to pay me I could not have time to Write the other And I went to David Sawyers in Goffestown and I measured off six acres of josiah Woods land to Sawyer and I measured off sixty acres to Timothy johnson of the lott No 11 in the 5th Rang on the South side of Piscataquog Sawyer owns the Remainder and I got 4 Gallons of Molasses from Samll Moor at 17/ Bay old Tenor pr Gallon The Kagg and molasses and a long Strap weighed 54 £

12th was a tedious Storm of Snow and hail and some Rain the wind Northeasterly and cold the most tedious storm we have had this long time if any to equal it all winter every circnmstance considered

13th Shed Steeled the toes of two shoes and Sett them on my horses fore feet and I went to McGregores and got a pound of Coffie and a Glas of Rum made into Tody for which I paid a pistereen and three coppers and in the forenoon I writ a letter to Deacon Williams to know the state of his accts as Treasurer for the propriety of Sowhegan East

14th I writ a lease of john Monaughns place to john Glene for which Monaughan paid me 1½ pistereen with 1/6 Bay old Tenor that he overpaid me when I took the acknowledgement of his Mortgage deed to Thomas Boies made the two shillings for the leases today & I got 4 bushell of Rie from Robt Alexander and got it Ground at Capt Moors and I had the Toal

15th I got a streek of tire for my Cart that weighed 13 £ in the barr from james Martain and he turned up the ends and punched the nail holes And I writ a long deed from Ebenr Wood to his son Jonathan and a note and I took the acknowledgement I charged 2/6 Lawful and jonathan promised to pay me And I drawed a Complaint and Warrant for Mr Joseph Currier against Samll Richards with two subpenas for which Mr Currier paid me 3/8 Lawful

17th I went to Litchfield and Run some lines for Esqr Claget he would a paid me but I would not take any but told him I would want his advice

and assistance in the affair of james Smith and me And I paid Doctor Parker 6/6 being his charge for what he had done for our Susannah of her money and 1/3 for what he did for my Wife and I settled my note with Col Lutwyche I had 8/5 allowed me out of Capt Parkers Estate and I paid him 11/ 4-5 which paid up the note and I came home

18th I made a new handle to our Spade and made a pole to fish at the ponds

19th I got james Orr to make two hoops for our great Kittle one of them was my iron the other was Sheds and he made part of a chain for my Cannoe of my iron and writ a deed from Alexander McCalley to his son Alexander and I took the acknowledgement unpaid 2/

20th I Recd the Melancholy news in the morning that General Gages troops had fired on our Contrymen at Concord yesterday and had killed a large number of them our town was notified last night We Generay met at the meeting house about 9 of the Clock and the Number of twenty or more went Directly off from the Meeting house to assist them And I came to Sheds and james Orr made me a great wheel Spindle of my Steel and he mended the Ear of a little kittle and finished the chain for my cannoe he found iron for near a quarter of the chain the rest was mine And our john came home from being down to Pentuckett and intended to Sett off for our army to morrow morning and our Girls sit up all night bakeing bread and fitting things for him and john Dobbin

21st our john and john Dobbin and my bror Samuell two oldest sons sett off and joyned Derryfield men and about six from Goffestown and two or 3 more from this town under the comand of Capt john Moor of Derryfield they amounted to the No of 45 in all Sunkook men and two or three others that joined them marched in about an hour after they to 35 there was nine more went along after them belonging to Pennykook or thereabouts and I went to McGregores and I got a pound of Coffie on Credit

22d I was wakened in the morning by Mrs Chandlers comeing with a letter from the Comitee of the Provincial Congress for calling another Congress of the Province immeadeately and I went with it as fast as could to john Bells but he was gone to our army and both the others allso and I went to Robert Alexanders and got 4 bushell of Rie on Credit and took it to Capt Moors mill and got it ground and I had it the Toal and I had ½ a bowle of Tody at McGaws for which I paid /4 Lawful

24th my neck was so stiff that I could not do anything with a cold I had got

25th I went and notified on the River Road to meet at the meeting house in the afternoon on our publick Distress and I went to Col: Goffes to ask his advice and met toward evening and acted on what we thot necessary and my Brors jos helped me with their 3 pair of Oxen to cross plow

26th I went at the desire of the town to Col Goffes and Merrils and MacGregores and Cautioned them to take Special care of Strangers and persons Suspected of being Torys Crossing the River to Examin and Search if they judge it needful and I got a pound of Coffie and nine flints from MacGregore for which I paid him 11/8 Bay old tenor

27th Was the Province Fast by the Governors Proclamation

28th I began to Stock Capt Blairs Gun and I went and got jamey Orr to forge me a Screw nail for the breach of the Gun and I fitted it and cut the screws and he made me a burning iron all of my iron

29th I worked some at Stocking the Gun and the boys planted Potatoes

MAY 1st

the boys planted potatoes and I worked at the Gun and William Barnet gelded 3 lambs and a Boar for us and our john and john Dobbin came home

2d Shed forged a Guard and some Rods for pining on the Quills and Stock on the Gun and I attended a Meeting of the town on our affairs of the country and Capt Moor had a training and our john and john Dobbin came home

3d I finished Stocking Capt Blairs Gun and the Boys got our Dung and planted some at Potatoes

4th I gave jonathan Wood a Warrant of apprizement to apprize a mare he impounded yesterday unpaid

4th I with the other partners met and hung the Scene but did not Draw the River was so high

5th I shelled out our seed corn we have about 1½ bushell and the boys finished planting potatoes and I went to Mr Alexanders and got 4 bushells of Rie and got it Ground at Capt Moors and I had the Toal

6th I went to the lott by Sheds and got some stuff for a Salmon pott and brot it home and put it into Soak

7th Being Sabath day the fire came from Adam Dickeys on both sides of Sebeans Swamp the wind high at the South we were obliged to go all hands in the Evening and had to work till midnight to Stop it it came on a little Rain and put it out

8th I shaved Some of the Stuff for the Salmon pot and split out the remainder of the stuff

9th I finished Shaving the Shaving the Stuff for the pot and Bundled it for carrieing to the falls and jamey and David Carted off the old Cole pit Stuff and other Sticks off the broke up ground

11th 12th & 13th I went to the falls and naild on the new covering on my Salmon pot and I borrowed 200 clapboard nails from my bror Samll to do it with and in the time I hung a Nett and catched 3 Shad and Some Elwives and john Bell and I set the pot on our new setting place and I had my brors oxen cros plowing two days

14th I went up in the Evening and got john Dunlap and Henry Stevens and took up the pot out of which I took Six Salmon and 4 Shad The Salmon weighed 70 £ I gave Thos Miller 4 Shad and about 12 Elwives

From the 15th to the 20th Inclusive I fished at the falls I got 106 Ells and how may shad I cant Remember on the 19th we finished planting corn on the 16th we had a town meeting in Bedford at which we Voted to Shut the meeting house against Mr Houston and I was chosen to attend the County Congress next wednesday at Amherst

22d I got 27 Ells for my Divide and I borrowed 78 that I sent home 105 and 10 jamey Patterson gave 10 Ells for me for Rum

23d no fish got at the falls and I came home to go to the congress

24th our Boss cow took bull and I went to the congress and came home at break of day my Expences was was about 16/6 bay old Tenor

25th I went to the falls and Tarried untill the 27th at night the boys and I got as many Eels as paid what I had borrowed from Hacket viz 78 and I borrowed 11 from jamey Patterson and 13 from Samll Patterson and 15 of my own made 39

29th I went to Amherst and met the Rest of the Commitee and we took the care of the Goal and took from under his hand to Deliver it to us the first Tuesday in july next and I came home at Break of day next morning my Expences was 19/6 Bay old Tenor

The rest of the month I fished but how many I got I dont Remember

JUNE 3d

I writ a Deed from Charles Blacks widow to john Gardner and took the acknowledgement both unpaid

7th We had a fine Shower and jamey and I fished at the Setting place and got Six Salmon

9th my brors john and my jamey and I fished at our Setting place and got five Salmon and we had 3 of them

12th David and I fished and we got 8 Salmon one of 10 £ I sold to Robt MacGregore and 3 to David Gage of 34 £ and I am to have a pair of Pumps from him and I lent one of 9½ £ to Robt Richardson and one I gave to Alexr MacMurphy

14th David and I fished and we got Six Salmon and 5 Shad the Salmon weighed 68 £ and I let Nathan Shed have them all they came to 14/7 1/5

16th David and I fished and we got one that weighed 10 £ and we had two large Salmon broke through the nett the one we got I let john Wallace have and he paid me the money for it

17th I with my bror went to john Bells to write an answer to Mr MacGregores letter in behalf of the town

19th jamey and Bob and I went to the mouth of the brook and hauled and catched Six Salmon they weighed 76 £ I divided in equal halves with Martin and I let Stephen Frenches wife have two that weighed 24 £ And I writ all the fore part of the day in framing an answer to Mr Macgregores letter to john Bell And the afternoon I attended Matthew Littles funeral And Bob and David fished at the Setting place and got 1 Salmon that weighed 10 £ and Robt MacGregore had it toward fishing expences they got two Shad allso

20th I worked at makeing a pail

21st David and I fished and we got three Salmon and I let David Gage have two that weighed 21 £ and the other I brot home

22d Was a fast by order of the Provincial Congress and I sent ½ of the Salmon to Samll Gordon that I brot home yesterday & our Belled Cow took Bull

23d David and I fished and I catched 5 Salmon by Scooping they weighed 60 £ and I let David Gage have two that weighed 21 £ and I got one from Robert Richardson that he owed me of 10 £

24th I gave james Caldwell one of the salmon I got yesterday and I went to the Falls but got no salmon And I gave a notification to Col Starks son Wm for his father to Notifie Capt Page to come and hear some depositions taken at McGregores on Monday next

26th I went to MacGregores and Swore 4 Witnesses for Col: Stark to be improved at Exeter at the Congress in their Disputes in Dunbarton unpaid and I borrowed a Salmon of 9½ £ of james Patterson for my bror to take to the army

27th I went to the Falls and Fished and got no Salmon

28 29 & 30th I got some White Ash and made some Scoop nett bows on the 30th john came home on a furlow

JULY 1st

I made some scoop nett bows and I sit up a pail

3d I hooped the pail I set up the first and the afternoon I went with Samll Vose my Brors and met john Bell at Adam Dickeys And took his Wifes Deposition and james Mathies and his son Roberts of some discourse Mr Houston had to them Relating the cruel acts of Parliament

4th I went to Amherst to the County Congress and it Rained near night and untill near dark and I tarried over night at Heldreths my Expences was 17/2 Bay old Tenor

5th I came home in the morning nothing material untill the 11th when john sett off for the Army he Rid my horse down in the time I made a pail and a washing tub and went to McGregores to See Lieut McCalley about comeing to assist as a commiteeman concerning Mr Houston but did not see him on the 10th Martain and I got Six Salmon that weighed I suppose about 60 £ we did not weigh them we gave Capt Moor one of them we had the half of the six

12th We got 11 Salmon they weighed 123 £ I had the half and martin was 10 £ ahead of me and I had that made up and I am 7 £ ahead of Martin And jamey and Bob and my brors john went off in the evening and catched 10 that weighed 111 £ we had ⅔ of them and I went to see Lieut McCalley but he was not at home and I writ a letter to him and Sent it by james Riddel

13th I went to Amherst to judge Esqur Whiting for his being a Tory and I took two Salmon with me that weighed 20 £ I sold one to Mr Hildreth and I gave him the other I had 2/6 pr £ Bay old Tenor my expences was 16/6 Bay old Tenor

14 & 15th I with Deacon Boies and john Wallace apprized Matthew Littles Estate

17th There was 4 of Goffestown Committee and 4 of Merrymac and 2 from Derryfield met in Bedford by the desire of Bedford commitee to judge of Mr Houston being an Enemy to this country they judged him Guilty and confined him to the county without leave from the majr part of one of the commitees of the towns who judged him we broke up the next morning after day break

18th I did no business

19th I worked at Stocking a Gun for Mr Baker of Derryfield

20th Was the Continental Fast and Mr Cook preached with us in Bedford he preached with us last Sabath day which was the first preaching we have had since we shut the meeting house doors agt Mr Houston

21st I Almost finished Stocking Mr Bakers Gun and jamey and Bob Reaped for Mr Shedd for which he is to hoe for me

23d Mr Shedd hoed for me for the boys Reaping for him yesterday

23d Mr Cook preached in Bedford

24th We finished hilling the new field west from the barn

25th We worked at makeing a new cow yard and plowing up the old one and David went to his uncle Alexr to mill

26th I got two Tea cup fulls of Turnip seed from old Mrs Turil for which I gave her 3/ Bay old Tenor and I sowed the yard with seed and we finished makeing the new cow yard in the forenoon and we reaped the Afternoon

27th was a very Refreshing Rain and we lay by and did not Reap

28 & 29th we Reaped in the field by the Barn

30th Mr Burnap preached in Bedford

31st We finished Reaping the field by the Barn there was 32 Stooks in it and we got it carted into the barn

AUGUST FIRST

I butchered our heifers Calf it was a very poor and not large and the boys began to Reap in the old Field before the house and I writ severall letters viz 8 to Divers of the Comitee of the county to meet at Amherst the 8th instant to do something about Lancey and Silas Barron

2d 3d 4th & the 5th at noon we finished Reaping we have 41 Stooks and 5 Sheaves in the field before the house We have 73 Stook and 5 Sheaves in all this year and we took the skin of the Calf we killed the 1st Instant to Stephen French to Tan

7th I went allong the River as far as McGaws and round by Neasmiths and Thos Wallaces enquireing after my Calf that stroled away but could hear nothing of it and I got a pint of Brandy at McGaws for which I paid 6/0 Bay old tenor

8th I went to Amherst to meet the commitee of the County to do something between Thos Lancey and Silas Barron but there was none of them come but Daniell Campbell and we could do nothing and I came home in the night my expences was 5/ Bay old tenor and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from Capt Moor to Charles Black for Blacks widow

9th 10th 11th & part of the 12th cloudy and rain and I fitted of some new Rakes

13th Mr Webster preached in Bedford

14th I brot the first load of hay from the little meadow

15th 16th & 17th I brot a load each day and jamey Bob and David stayed at the meadow since Monday morning they all came home tonight there was a great Shower attended with a great deal of thunder and lightening in the night

18th the boys dryed the hay at the meadow and I Recd a Sixteen Shilling bill from Daniell MacFarland on his note by our Susey

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM AUGUST 18 1775

19th I brot a load of hay from the meadow

20th Mr Cook preached in Bedford

21st I brot a load of hay from the meadow & Susey bot 2 £ of tobacca from john Wallace and paid a pistereen for it

22d I paid Moses Watt Thirty two shillings Bay old tenor for kniting my part of the scene the two last seasons being 20/ one year and 12/ the other and I brot a load of hay from the meadow

23d I brot a load of hay from the meadow

24th I butchered a weather sheep that weighed 35½ £ and I brot a load of hay from the meadow

25th I brot in a load from the meadow and a small load out of the meadow at home

26th I went and Run the lines of the meadow lott no 55 in the little meadow for Col Daniel Moor and the boys burned the Brow between the meadow and the old field by my brors

27th Mr Cotton preached in Bedford in exchange with Mr Cook

28th I went and Split a Rail cut between this and james Caldwells it made 17 Rails we hauled it to the path last Winter and I fell a tree on my brors land and cut of a length for Rails and Quartered it

29th Was a Rainey day and Shed put a peice of his iron to one of my betle Rings and worked it over and made a new one of it and I Coppyed at the Inventory of Matthew Littles Estate about half the afternoon

30th Deacon Boies john Wallace and I met at widow Littles and finished apprizeing and coppying the Inventory and went to Swear to the apprize but Col Goffe was not at home

31st I went to Col Littles and from there to McGregores after Vinigar to Save pickles it Rained considerable in the afternoon I had a bowle of tody at McGregores for which I paid /8 La Mo

SEPTEMBER

1st I went to Deacon Walkers after Vinegar and I cut 4 treas for Rails N W of the Meeting house

2d We got our hay at the little meadow dried and brot it home I have but Eleven jags there in all this year

3d Mr Cook preached in Bedford from Revelations 3d and latter part of the 1st verse the wind high at about E N E and in the afternoon it Raind considerable

4th it was cloudy all day and I went N W of the Meeting house and I cut and Split the trees into Rails that john fell last faul on the Ministerial land and David and Alexr came out with the Team and brot home 53 Rails

5th we lent 4½ bushells of Apples to Deacon Littles and a barrel and they (viz) Deacon Little and Amaziah Pollard filled up the barrel with what my apples made and Deacon Little gave me his part and Bob took home 32 Rails of what john fell and 17 posts of our last years getting and I cut off 4 Rail cuts and butted them

6th Bob went and brot home the barrel of Cydar from Deacon Littles and he brot a barrel from there to Mr Sheds and I went and split 58 Rails N: W: of the Meeting house and I had mad a hoop for our large snuff mill and Drawed the point of two Eell hooks and we got £ of Rice that john bot and Sent up by Zechariah Chandler for us

7th we Sent a pound of Ribwort Tea and a Salt Salmon by Mr Shed to john and my wife and I went a Visiting to William Wallaces and I went to Robt Neasmiths and Run lines for him for which I charged him 2/ La: Mo: unpaid

8th & 9th we worked at the hay in the meadow we got all mowed and two load in

11th We began to Cut at our stalks and we got the hay all in cock

12th I went to Thos Newmans in Derryfield and got a bushell of Rie from him for Mr Shedd and got it ground at Griffins And the afternoon I went to Esqr Blodgetts and Attended as a Commissioner on Capt Perkins Estate but no Creditors came Shed gave me money to pay my ferriage and I had ½ a bowle of tody at McGregores for which I paid four pence very near and I paid Mr Merril what I owed him for ferriage being /9 La: Mo:

13th We got in the hay of the south branch of the meadow being the last and we bound and Shocked the Stalks we have 37 Shock

14th & 15th jamey and Bob thrashed 11 Stook of Rie and I cleaned it up with Some that was thrashed before I cleaned up 13 bushell and almost a half and we took 14 bushel of apples to my brothers and put in with his and filled up two barrel full of Cydar

16th I sowed about 3 bushel of Rie among our corn and hoed part of it in and I went to McGaws and I got three pints of brandy and two pounds of Alum and a pound of copperas for which I paid him 31/9 Bay old Tenor and I came to Thomas wallaces and I got 3 £ of tobacca for which I paid 1½ pistereens

18th I sowed a bushell of Rie among the corn and I went to Griffins mill and I took two bushell of Rie and I got one bushell of it ground and I went to the falls to Veiw a place that Willm Karr found to set a pot and I had ½ a bowle of tody at MacGregores for which I paid 2/3 bay old Tenr And I came to the mouth of the brook and the boys came and we catched two Salmon that weighed 19 £ and I had them both Martin had two that they catched some time ago so that these two fell to me

19th I sowed two bushel of Rie and cut 2 Rail cuts and fell a chestnut tree log post beyond the meeting house and came and attended a town meeting

20th I sowed two bushell of Rie and blocked out a yoke for our Stears

21st I and Alex had Sheds chair Wheels and I went to Alexr Macmurphys and took two bushell of Rie and an old chest to bring Grapes in to make wine or Vinigar but got but a few and I left Alexr and the horse and wheels and I came home

22d it Rained in the afternoon considerable

23d I went to Wm Palmers and I bot 4 Earthern Pots that came to 18/9 Bay old Tenor on credit three of them was 5/ apeice and one was 3/9 and

Alex^{r} and Polly came home from their Uncle Alex^{r} with Sheds chair wheels and the two meal from there and the bushell from Griffens that I left there the 18th Instant

24th Being Sabathday I attended the funeral of Major Moors wife of Derryfield Mr Cook preached a Sermon in the forenoon before the funeral at the Majors Barn

25th I went and got Walnut at Sam^{ll} Moors for bows for my Stears and Shed sharpened my Drill and I sowed a bushell of Rie

26th I sowed two bushell of Rie and I went to Amoskeig falls and Robt Gillmor of Goffestown met me at McGregores and we fitted a place for Setting the pot between the black Rock and the next on this side and I had ½ a bowle of Tody at MacGregores for which I paid 2/3 bay old Tenor

27th I shaved two pair of Ox bows and the afternoon I went to McGaws to arbitrate between him and Robt Neasmith but they broke up and we did nothing

28th I sowed a bushell of Rie which finished sowing the Indian corn ground I have Sowed twelve bushell on it in all and I went and met several of the partners in the Scene at the fishing ground and we hauled loggs off the ground We haled on and held a meeting and we Voted to Rais a Dollar on a Right

29th I cleaned up 5 bushell and almost a half of Rie and the boys finished hoeing in the Rie on the corn land in the fore part of the day

30th we got in a load of corn being the first we got in this year

OCTOBER FIRST

Mr Webster preached in Bedford

2^{d} 3^{d} 4th and 5th We worked at harvesting the corn

6th I sowed the meadow bank and the boys Raked and harrowed it in I sowed a little more than 3 pecks on both sides of the brook

7th I went and Run some lines for Col: Goffe and Bob went to mill to his uncle Alex^{r} Macmurphys and he gave him some meal more than the grain he carried made

8th Mr Webster preached in Bedford

9th I butchered a Weather and we husked corn

10th my wife and I went to see Col: john Stark who sent us a card yesterday we had widow Barnets mare

11th I with Deacon Boies and john Wallace was apprizeing at Matthew Littles Estate and the boys got in the last of the corn and Stalks

12th we finished husking we have by our basket about 90 bushell

13th we all went a chesnuting and got a bushell and three pecks

14th we all went a chesnuting and we got 3 bushell and 3 pecks

15th Mr Webster preached in Bedford

16th We sent johns Surtute and leather breeches and striped shirt and a pound of liberty Tea to Mr Caldwells for Lieut Caldwells son Sam^{ll} to carrie down to john and David and I went Chesnuting and we got a bushell

17th I went to MacGregores on Col: Moors invitation and waited on him

he gave the field officers their commissions and Bob David and Alex^{r} a chesnuting and got a bushell

18th jamey Bob David Alex^{r} and I went a chesnuting and we got three bushell and a peck

19th it Rained a considerable in the night before and some today and I went and got a stick on the west end of Zach Chandlers land N: W: from the Meeting house for basket stuff

20th Rainy weather and the boys cleaned the potatoe Bin in the outside Cellar and I made a basket

21st an exceeding Rainy day and I made another basket and Bob went to Col Moors to Mill and got two bushell of indian corn Ground being the first of our corn we ground this Year The Rain we have had made a great flood in the River it is Rare we have so large a freshet any spring

23^{d} I got hoops and Ears for my Basket and fitted them off and Bob harrowed with our four oxen for Shed

24th we began to dig potatoes we diged 10 bushell being the first this year to lay by

25th my brother Sam^{ll} paid us 1¾ of a bushell of salt toward what they borrowed from us and We diged 10 bushell of potatoes and Bob went to mill to Col Moors and got two bushell of Rie and a bushell of Indian ground

26th We digged 18 bushell of potatoes

27th We digged 30 bushell of Potatoes and I swore john Bell to the no of Souls in Bedford to be pd by the town

28th we digged 26 Bushell of potatoes and the night following it began to snow after dark very fast and covered the Ground

29th the ground all covered in the morning but went all off in the afternoon

30th We digged 31 bushell of potatoes

31st We digged 28 bushell of potatoes

NOVEMBER

1st The boys digged about 17 bushell of poatoes being the last we have 170 bushell in all this year we put them all in the Cellar and I spent the day in framing a Complaint for the Selectmen to the Commitee of Safty for Mrs Heppers casting her Daughter Hannahs child on the town and a Warrant to the Constable to seize her goods to maintain the child and going with the Constable and Selectmen to Seize the goods

2^{d} We began to take up our Turnips and got up the half or more of them and I went to help to Repair the bridge over piscataquog River there was one of the north shore String peices broke by bringing over john Littles mill stones yesterday we put in Two New ones

3^{d} was a Rainey day and Alex^{r} and I cut at the Turnip tops

4th we got up the Remainder of our Turnips and in the Evening we cut the topp of all but about half a basket we have about 12 or 13 bushell

6th I went to McGaws and to see james Piper to try to get some money from him but got none and I got five £ of tobacca from Thos Wallaces john on credit

7th was a Rainy day and I writ ten letters to people that owed me for money I was considerable agueish

8th I went to Col: Moors mill and I took two bushell of Indian corn and a bushell and a half of Rie and got it ground

9th was a Rainy day in the afternoon

10th Lieut Moor Butchered my Near Steer he weighed 341 £ of Beaf and 60 £ of hide and 16 £ of Tallow it Snowed this morning so that the Ground was all covered it melted away by near two o clock in the afternoon

11th The Boys began to Cart out Dung and I hooped 3 Barrels for salting meat in

12th Mr Webster preached in Bedford

13th I went according to the Wart that the Commitee of Safty had signed for securing Mrs Heppers things to the meeting house to meet the other of the Comtee to determin who should mainten Hannah Murfeys child We did not determin but adjourned till Monday the 27th Instant to meet at my brors at ten of the Clock a forenoon we broke up between 10 and 11 o Clock at night

14th I went and Run side lines and went across the West end of Ann Kennedys lott att her desire I charged half a Dollar unpaid

15th Was a Storm of Snow it snowed all day it fell about 3 inches deep

16th I went to Daniell MacFarlands to bring home Suseys heifer that was there but I could not drive her and came home without her and I spent the Evening with Widow Little at my brors

17th We all got wood and some log pine

18th I spent the day with the Rest of the Comt of Safty on Widow Littles and Cairns Dispute we broke up a while after dark

19th Mr Webster preached in Bedford

20th I sold Suseys heifer to Samuell Moor and Amaziah Pollard at two pence pr £ the hide and Tallow is to be Reckoned Equal in weight to quarter of the Beaf and the price to be the same as the beaf And Lieut butchered my off Stear he weighed 348 £ of Beaf and 58½ £ of Hide and 15½ £ of tallow Susesy heifer weighed 68½ £ a quarter she came to 2–17–1–0 Lawful money and I took the note in my name

21st I attended at Col: Goffes on Widow Littles account concerning the diferance between her and james Cairns she paid my ferriage

22d Bob and I went and got a Stick for Runers for a Dutch Sled and beams we got the stick for the Runers in the west end of William Barnetts land

23d I hewed at the Runers for the sled

24th I attended at Widow Littles with the other prizers and finished apprizing Matthew Littles Estate and made Returns to the judge he Swore us

25th I split the Sole peices for my Sled after I had whet my hand Saw and Bob went to Major Tolfords with some cloath that Susey wove for William Morrow

27th I hewed three beams for my Sled

28th I worked at the beams of my Sled and jamey and David got some wood and Bob came home from Chester and there was a training in Bed-

ford, and the Commissns under the Provincial Congress was given out for the company

29th was a moderate Thawy day the wind at S: W: and Rain Considerable the night before and I fitted at the beams of my Sled

30th Was the Provincial Thanksgiveing by order of the Congress

DECEMBER FIRST

I went to john Bells on the acct of the Selectmens complaint against Lydia Hepper and she Consented to give the Selectmen a note she had against Phillip Felix of thirty Dollars and we gave an order to the constable to deliver her the goods that was attached for the Maintenance of the child

2d I went in the afternoon to William Newmans along john Wallace to see the delivery of Mrs Hepper goods that he attached of hers and Bob went with the Team and halld Fifty bushell o Coals from David Moors to Shed

3d Mr Cotton preached in Bedford for Mr Webster

4th I attended at Widow Littles at her desire to Evidence before the men who were chose to Arbitrate between her and Cairns but Cairns flinched from what he agreed to when they met last on which acct there was nothing done

5th I went to Col: Moors mill and I took two bushell of Indian corn and a bushell and a half of Rie and got it Ground and the Commite Recd The coppy of a letter from General Sullivan to the Comtee of Safty for the Province for 1984 men to be Raised in the Province to fill the place of Conecticutt men who were to be dismist the 6th Instant

6th The town met at the Meeting House and there was 12 men turned out and Enlisted there was 7 Guns lacking to Equip them and the Comitt is to procure them my Brors Samuell and I borrowed john Maclaughlins gun

7th I spent the day in going to Lieut Moors and other places to procure Guns for the men that goes out of this town but got none

8th I went to McGaws to meet our men that listed to go into the army I got home the latter part of the night my Expences was a pistereen and I bot an almanack for which I paid six coppers

9th john set off for the Army and Bob went with him as far as Esqr Lovewells with the horse and Shed upsett 2 axes and tempared 2 ex hook for me And Bob brot two £ of Shugar from McGaw for which I sent 8/10 Bay old tenor

11th I took 2 bushell of corn and 1½ bushell of Rie to Col Moors Mill but could not get it ground they picking the mill

12th I went to Mill and got the grain Ground I took to mill yesterday

13th I attended at McGaws at the choice of a Delegate for Merrymac and Bedford and jonathan Blanchard Esqr and my Bror Samll paid me a Dollar that he borrowed when he went after his Cart Wheels and a Dollar more in two Dollar bill that I could not give him the change and Samll Gibson Junr paid me 10/ Silver toward my Running lines for him Summer was a year and I got 10 £ of Redwood and 5 £ of logwood from McGaw for which I paid him 4/ Lawful money

14th I went to Col Moors to Write his Will and a Deed to his son of the Scobey place I writ the deed and Acquitance from him to his fathers Estate and a Note and I staid all night

15th Josiah McNeall came down from Newboston yesterday and got to makeing at Bobs coat and sent Bob for me to come home and I came home and write for him till after night and We offset his work agt mine and I went back to Col Moors after night

16th I got a Ruff draft of his Will and came home after dark last night Bob got 2 dozen of Metal buttons from McGaw for which he paid 2/ Lawful

18th I went to Robert Gillmoors in Goffestown to try to have him to make shoes for me but could not get him and I went to john Bells and assisted the men that went to Cambrdge last spring to fix a Roll to get pay for the same

19th I went to Londonderry to try to get a shoe maker and I got two pound of shugar at Pinkertons and half a pint of Rum for which I paid 1/7 Lawful and I lodged at james Macmurphys

20th I came home and I got a son of Deacon Miller to come and make shoes for us and I paid /4 Lawful for ½ a bowle of tody at john Duncans and I paid /4 for my ferriage

21st Extream cold and the wind high at N: W:

22d The cold continues and wind high and john Miller came to our house and began to make a pair of shoes for jamey

23d I went to Col: Moors mill and took 3½ bushell of Indian corn and had it ground and I had the Toal being the first toal I had from him since last spring

25th I made 4 pair of heels for ourselves and 2 pair for my Brors famely

26th I made 2 pair of heels for ourselves and I got a Calfs skin from Stephen French for which he charged 5/ Lawful and john Miller went to McDuffies he has made a pair for jamey and for Bob David and Betsey he came here last Fryday

27th We butchered our hogs there was four of them they weighed 630 £

28th I hewed and mortised a Rowler for my new Sled

29th I morticed the beams for my sled

30th I fitted some at the Sled and I sent Bob to Samuell Moors and he got two bushell of Indian corn and two bushell of Rie which is to be settled for in what he and widow Barnets owes me and he took it to Col Moors mill and got it ground and I have the Toal

JANUARY. FIRST 1776

I set out with a Slay to go to the army and Bob went with me to tarry a year and we lodged at at Harwoods

2d we arived at Woburn and lodged at Esqr Fowles

3d we arrived at the Camp and went and veiwed the encampment at Cambridge and Prospect Hill and I lodged at Col Starkes Barracks in his bed This day I Recd a Dollar from Robt McCormick that he owed me for Runing line for and others summer was a year and yesterday I Recd a

Dollar and a half from Deacon Gould for my Runing and new marking the lines of the home lott No 42

5th I Recd a Dollar from Calvin johnson for the use of my Gun last Summer

6th I sett out from Medford at 11 o Clock and came to Manings and Lodged there

7th I came to Capt Fords and lodged there

8th Capt Ford paid me what he owed me of the timber he had from me last spring was 3 year being 11–2–10 Lawfull money and I came home and I paid McGaw five Dollars toward what I owe him and I bot an iron Kittle from Ovid for which I paid him a Dollar

10th I went to Robt Alexanders and paid his wife (he was from home) eleven Dollars and a pistereen which with four pistereens I paid him last spring paid 20 bushell of Rie I had from last spring it was 3 pistereens a bushell and I got 7 £ of shugar and a Quire of paper at McGaws to be settled in our acct and I had ½ a bowle of Tody for which I paid /4 Lawful

11th I went to Robt MacGregores and Settled with him and I owed him 19/1 Lawful and I paid him off and I had a bowle of Tody for which I gave him a /9 bill and I got no change

12th Shed fitted an old beal for the kittle I bot from Ovid the 8th Instant

13th john Miller finished makeing shoes at this time he has made ten pair in all and soled two pair he charged 18/3 Lawful for all he has done and I pd him 12/ of it And I got Shed to make 2 shoes for my horses hind feet out of the old ones exceept a thin old shoe he put in and sharped a calk of the 4 feet shoe he steeled the toes of the hind feet shoes with his Steel and Set them all four

15th I went with a bushell of Rie and a bushell of corn to Lieut Littles mill and got it Ground and I went to MacGregores and got my specticles that I left there the 11th Instant and I had ½ a bowle of Tody for which I paid /4 Lawful

19th I finished makeing my new Sled and David and I brot home 3 load of wood that jamey cut before he took the Mumps he has had them some days

20th I took two bushell of Rie and 2 of Indian corn to Col: Moors mill and had it Ground and I had the Toal and I went to McGaws and I settled with him I owed him 26/ Lawful money I had two Quarts of Rum today which is included in the twenty-six shillings above mentioned and I had 4½ pair of knitting needles from him for which I paid him 3/ Bay old Tenor

22d David and I got a load of wood home and almost another cut up by Shed

23d David and I got home 2 load of wood and we hauled a load for Shed and he shut the link of a Draft chain

24th jamey got so well as to work and We got home a load of wood and some more cut

25th The boys got home two load of wood and cut some more and in the forenoon I writ a Deed of john Smiths place in Goffstown to Samuell Ordway and took the acknowledgement for which they paid me two shillings

and in the afternoon I went to Robert McClures to a Meeting of our Scene owners we Voted to Rais a dollar on each Right and I paid my dollar to Sam^{ll} Wallace

29th I went to Thos Boies and Deacon Walkers to try to Buy a barrel of Cyder but could not get it

30th I tryed to buy cydar on the River but could not

FEBRUARY 1st

I went to Londonderry and got the promise of a barrel or two at Deacon Fishers and I went Robert McMurphys and lodged there And in the Evening I went to McDuffies and heard the Inquest on the body of Thomas Shirley of Chester who got a Stroke by john Patten of the same town on Christmas last with the heel of a Scyth which stroke proved his death we got home to Roberts about two o Clock in the morning

2^{d} Robert McMurphy let me have three bushell of salt and would not set a price he in a joking way said he believed he must have two dollars a bushell and I brot it home on horse back and he gave me a spear Rib & a leg of pork And I got 24 £ of fresh Cod fish from some men at Maj^{r} Goffes for which I paid 24/ Bay old Tenor I sent jamey and he bot them

3^{d} I had 2 bushel of Indian & 2 of Rie ground at Col Moors I had the Toal

5th I went to Amherst and was Qualified by Mr Claget and Doctr Nicholes as judge of Probate and a justice and I lodged at Mr Heldreths and I took two bushel of corn and two of Rie to Col Moors mill and had it Ground and I had the Toal

6th I came home and brot home the meal of the grain I took to the mill yesterday and Mrs Moor gave me a peice of fresh pig pork to Roast my Expences was 42/9 Bay old Tenor

7th I went to Thos Boies and got a barrel of Cydar from him the price of it is to be settled in what he owes me

8th and 9th & 10th was dulll cloudy weather and fell a snow of 3 or 4 inches deep and it Rained and Crusted a very sharp crust & Sam^{ll} Patten junr paid me 2/ for john Griffen for Runing lines for him the 14th of Novbr 1774

12th my Brors john cut wood for us and I haulled home four load from the Swamp by the Causway

13th I hauled two load of wood from the Swamp

14th It snowed moderately all day it fell about an 1½ inch Deep

16th David and I got home some Green pine to Split for wood

17th David and I got home two load of wood from the Swamp

19th I went to Amherst to Assist Doctr Nichols to Remove the Records of Deeds and the Probate and we attended on Mr Atherton about the Probate he gave for answer That he had not got his accts drawed out but that he was Ready to Deliver them as soon as he got that done and to see that the books were correct I lodged at Hildreths

20th The Doctr and I went to Hollis to see Majr Hobart about the Records of Deeds and he answered that he was Ready to Deliver the Books as

soon as he had entered what deeds was Recd was entered And I came to Esqr Blanchards and lodged there

21st I came home in the afternoon my Expences was 3/3 Lawful on this journey on the 19th Timothy Taylor took out letters of Administration on Doctr Toothackers Estate he paid a Dollar and Blanchard gave me the half

22d we got home a load of wood and Shed made a peice of a plate to one of the shoes of the Sley of his iron

23d I put the Shoes on the Sley

24th We got a dry pine for to give light in the fire in the Room of Candle wood a very warm pleasant day

25th I got a horn fine tooth come half a pistereen price

26th I put on the plates on the sley and I cut some pine wood by the Door

27th We got home two load of wood and it Rained considerable

28th I went to Amherst to hold a Probate Court we granted four administrations the fees was 29/6 the Rigister gave me 10/6 I was chose to Represent Merrimac and Bedford in the General Court

29th I came home my expences with ½ a paper of pines that I bot was 31/9 Bay old Tenor As I went to Amherst yesterday I took Four bushel of Corn to Col Moors mill and I had it Ground and I had the Toal and I brot it home today

MARCH 2d

I went to Deacon Fishers and bot a barrel of Cydar from him for which I paid him a dollar he charged £ 6–16–0 Hampshire old Tenor pr barrel There was about 40/ Hampr old Tenor in his hand since he wove some handkercheifs for us some years ago That I paid him but a dollar in money And our john came home from the army in the Evening

4th john Miller came to make me a pair of pumps before I went to the General Court and we got home a load of wood out of the Swamp and a load of pine wood

6th We got home two load of pine wood and a load out of the Swamp and it was very warm day and the wind at South and the snow melted fast And john Miller finished makeing my pumps and Sewed a pair of Soles on jameys shoes he charged 2/6 La: Mo: for this job and 6/3 I owed him for what he did before and I writ a letter to Col: Arnold at Quebec to get an acct of john Dobbyn and others

7th It rained a considerable last night and Snow much gone in the open land and I writ a Wart of apprizment of the Estate of john Smith of Goffestown and I tryed to get over the River to go to Exeter to the General Court I went to MacGregores to try to get over the River but could not

8th I got over the River at Col: Goffes and I took jamey with me to bring back the horse and lodged at Towles

9th I got into Exeter and sit in Court and jamey came back as far as Majr Tolfords

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MARCH 9th 1776

I sit in the General Court untill the adjournment which was the 23d I Recd pay for 15 days attendance my travil was 11/8 my wholl pay amounted to 5-1-8

25th I Recd my pay and I Recd Esqr Lovells & Ensn Ames pay to bring to them I paid Amess reconing at Doctr Gillmans what I paid was 2-12-5½ and I lost about two pence in changeing and I came to Majr Tolfords and lodged there

26th I came to Robt MacMurphys and he found me a horse and came to the River with me he had no other business but to wait on me

27th I went to Amherst to the Probate Court I Recd 17/ my part of the fees

28th I came home my Expences was 4/4 ⅘ and I brot home 1½ bushell of Rie meal and a bushell of Indian and ½ a bushell of Rie before I had the Toal

29th I went to Majr Kellys and I took the proof john Smith and William White wills Mrs Smith paid me 7/

30th Shed made a shoe of my iron and sett it on my horses fore near foot a very Raw cold wind & I gave jamey two Dollars and he got his shoes soled at McGregores he paid for it

APRIL FIRST

I writ a letter for john and another for Col Stark and I paid james McClure 19/ Lawful being all I owed him for makeing shoes for me and I carried the letters to Capt Walker and there gave them them to Silas Barron to give them to Majr Moor

2d I writ a Deed and a bond for Stephen Tuttle unpd and a Deed from Zech Chandler to Robt Alexander unpd and one john Gregg of Peterboro Came from Esqr Blanchard with a bond and Wart of apprizement to be admited administrator to the estate of one James Swindon which I granted he paid 7/6 which was 6 pence more than the fee and I could not make the change and we agreed to let it ly toward the next that must be paid and our jamey set out for Boston (with his Cosin john) I gave jamey three Dollars

3d was a considerable Rain and I shelled 4 bushel of corn and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from Zechariah Chandler to Robert Alexander I writ the Deed yesterday The Deed and acknowledgement unpaid

4th I went to Amherst to meet the other justices of the County to hold a Court of Sessions but we did not open it by Reason that there was not a justice of the Coram there and I took 1½ bushell of Rie and 1½ bushell of corn to Col: Moors mill and got it Ground and I had the Toal

5th I came home and brot home the meal from Col: Moors Mill that I got ground yesterday and I bot two gimblets from Means for which I paid him a shilling La: Mo: and I paid him four shillings and seven pence La: money for Samuell Moor the Remainder of a note Widow Barnet and my bror Samll gave means my Expences were 3/7 La: Mo: And I Recd 13/9 from Cornet Graham for 40 shad fish he got from my wife last summer

was two year yesterday I pd Esquire Lovewell 6–7–4 L: M: and 6–2–8 L: M: to Ensn Ames being their pay for attending the General Court in March last which I drawed for them by their order Lovewell gave me 1/4 and Ames Gave six pence for my trouble

6th I writ a Deed from Matthew McDuffie to Amos Gardner and I took the acknowledgement and writ some notes and McDuffie paid me the charge being 2/

7th I went to Col: Goffes with my bror Samll and widow Barnett on their administration affairs

8th I settled accts with Samuel Moor and he paid me 1–5–5– Lawful with what things I had from him before Shad what my bror and Widow Barnet owed me for what I did about prizeing &c of Francis Barnets Estate they had paid me 1–6–10 by things I bot at Vendue and the Remainder Samuell Moor paid me which with some Intrest was 2–3–7 I had 2 £ of moors money in my hand being a months wages as Soldier last Summer out of which I paid Mr Means 4/7 for him and Some things I had from him that there was 1–5–5 due now from him to me and I paid him 10/ with 4/7 and the 1–5–5 made the 2 £ that was in my hands

9th I finished writing two Deeds and a Bond for Simeon and Stephen Tuttle and I went to William Whites in this town to Divide a fifty acre lott between him and Willm Rogers of Goffestown but Rogers did not come and I came away after waiting a while and I went and Run the north line of Mr Gordons land next to Mr Heppers I charged Rogers 1/6 and Gordon as much

10th I went to McGregores to see to find flaxseed and I had ½ a bowle for which I paid /4 La: Mo: and came by the Voses and got the promis of some from Lieut Vose

11th I went to Col Moors Mill and took 1½ bushell of corn and 1½ bushell of Rie and got it ground and I had the Toal

12th I writ a letter to john and Bob and sent it by john Dobyn who set off for New York today to join the army

13th I went to Col Moors Mill and took 1½ bushell of rie and 1½ bushell of corn and got it Ground and I had the Toal and I Recd of La: Mo: from john Orr being his part for my Runing lines for him and Matthew McDuffie a year or two ago

15th Shed set a Shoe on my horses near fore foot and I carried a pair of leather Breeches to john Smith to get fitted for myself my john sent them to me and I went to Lieut Voses to get flaxseed but he and his wife were both from home that I did not get any and got a pair of Soles for my every day pumps from john Wallace and we could not make change to pay for them

16th was a Rainy day and I shelled corn

17th I went to David Moors with my pumps to have him sow on the soles I got from john Wallace yesterday and I went to William Palmers and paid his wife 1/ La: Mo: being the Remainder of what I owed him for what earthern ware I had from him last faul and I went to MacGregores and had ½ a bowle of tody for which I paid /4 and the afternoon attended the adjournment of our march meeting & another new meeting

18th WAS THE COLONY FAST

20th I got a bushell of flaxseed from Lieut Samuell Vose & he said he owed me two shillings lawful and I gave him /5 and lawful and one the two he owed me made the price of the flaxseed and he could not make the change to give me the other shilling and I got my pumps from David Moor that he sowed the soles on he was from home and I did not pay him for his wife did not know how much it was and I got 6 pounds of flax from widow Little to be settled in my acct against the Estate

22d I sowed three or four quarts of peas and the afternoon I went to the Raising of Zechariah Chandler's house

23d I took the proof of Thos Wallaces Will at my house and Recd six shillings Lawful from jos Wallace

24th I attended the Probate at Amherst and my part of the fees was the proof of the 3 Wills that I took at Goffestown and at home and granting Admr to john Gregg came to 27/ and the Register gave me a shilling more than my part and I paid my expences at Smiths And I bot a pair of plated knee buckles and 5 £ and 10 ounces of lead at Means for which I paid 6/ 1½ my Expences at Heldreths I did not pay

25th I went with jona Esqr to Col Goffes and he Recd the Probate Books and Files which Atherton had sent there to prevent their comeing into our hands as I suppose And I bot ½ a pound of shot from Mrs Rand for which I paid her /3 ½ Lawful money and I lent Esqr Blanchard 2/8 in cash and I paid our ferriage

26th I spent the day with my Cousin William Patten in the house

27th the forenoon helping to mend fence the afternoon I writ a Deed from Stephen Tuttle to William Rogers & I took the acknowledgement both unpaid and I took the acknowledgement of the Deed I writ last Tuesday from Zechariah Chandler to Hugh Campell Chandler paid the writing the Deed and Campbell could not make change to pay the acknowledgement

28th Mrs French gave me a fresh shad that her husband brot from the mouth of Concord river and Mr Cotton Preached in Bedford being the first we have had since last faull

29th I went to Col Moors Mill and I took 1½ bushell of Rie and 1½ bushell of Indian corn and got it Ground & I had the Toal and I went to McGaws and I got 7 £ of Shugar and a quart of Rum and a Glas of Rum into tody for which I paid 49/2 Bay old Tenor and I went with Widow Little to her house to see if Cairns would give up his Deed that she might take her thirds but he would not and I went to McGregores & I paid him six Dollars for six bushell of salt and I brot home three bushell of it and the other three I have to get

30th was some Rain last night and this morning we shelled 2 bushels of corn and I got some hoop poles and shaved some hoops to put into some barrels

MAY FIRST

was a very high wind at N: W: and exceeding cold and I went to McGregores and got the last three bushell of the salt that I paid him for day before yesterday and I went to Major Kelleys with the Rest of the

Committee of this town for hiring preaching To treat with the Comtee for Goffestown about the two towns joining to to hire a minister to preach for both towns but there was but one of Goffstown comtee met us and we agreed to meet Tuesday come Sevenight at john Bells on the affair and I had a bowle of tody at Major Kelleys and they could not make change to pay for it

2d I got such a Cold yesterday that I was a good deal out of case and I put a New handle in one of our axes

3d I continued out of case and and Widow Smith of Goffestown and job Dow and john Clogston and signed a Bond on her admr on her Husbands Estate and I writ at Bonds and letters of Guardianship for her children

4th I went to Thos Boies and Samuell Kennedys to Get Hony for Alex McMurphy and I got a snuff bottle almost full at Samll Kennedys and some in another at Thos Boiess and they would not take any pay for it and john Smith breeches maker brot the breeches I took to him the 15th of last April he charged me a Dollar and I paid him the money

6th I went to Col Moors Mill and took 1½ bushell of Rie and 1½ bushell of Indian corn and got it Ground and I had the Toal it Rained considerable

7th Shed made a shoe of my iron and set it on my horses off fore foot and I went with my brors Samll to see Col: john Stark who came from New York yesterday my Expences was 2/10

8th I went to Col: Moors Mill and took 1½ bushell of Rie and 1½ bushell of Indian corn and got it Ground and I had the Toal it Rained considerable

9th William White Returned the Inventory of his fathers Estate and him and the apprizers were sworn in common form he paid 4/ and Widow Smith returned the Inventory of her husbands Estate and she and the apprizers were Sworn in common form she paid 4/ and she paid me 15/ for guardianship for 4 of her children and 5/ to get two deeds put on Record for her of her late husbands Estate the Deeds she is to send to me

11th we began to fellow the old field by my brors

12th we plowed at the field by my brors

13th the boys plowed in the field by my brors and I went to Col Goffes and took the points of the Compass on the side of a peice of land and Meadow that Major john Moor was geting from Col: Goffe and I writ a Deed of it and another Deed from the Col: to the Major of a lott in Derry and a peice on the River adjoining said lott where the Major lives I am to settle with the Major for my pay

15th I took a bond of Esqr Little and one of Lieut Sawyer as Guardians for john Smiths children of Goffestown and gave each of them a letter of Guardianship for which Widow smith paid me 15/ in may last and the afternoon I took home a Reed to Fugards that Susanna had weaveing a peice of Fustin in

16th I set out for Exeter to attend as one of the Comtee of Safty for the Colony and arived there that night

17th 18th 19th & 20th I attended on the Exeter on the affair and set out for home the afternoon of the 20th and came to Chester and lodged at

Capt Underhills I left the Gown and near 26 yards of Fustin at Mr Barkers to cloathiers to be dyed and dressed My Expences was 13/ 4 ¼ I bot 4/ worth of things viz 2 £ of tobacca a rub ball for my breeches and a Declaration for Independance

21st I came home and went to writing letters to Crown Point for on my journey down I got an account of my johns Death of the Small Pox at Canada and when I came home my wife had got a letter from Bob which gave us a particular account it informed us that he was sick of them at Chambike and that they moved him to Saint johns where they tarried but one night when they moved him to Isle of Noix where he died on the 20th day of june the Reason of moveing him was the Retreat of the army which was very preceipitate and he must either be moved or be left behind whether the moveing him hurt him he does not inform us but it seems probable to me that it did He was shot through his left arm at Bunker Hill fight and now was lead after suffering much fategue to the place where he now lyes in defending the just Rights of America to whose end he came in the prime of life by means of that wicked Tyranical Brute (Nea worse than Brute) of Great Britan he was 24 years and 31 days old

22d I writ at letters to send to the army in all I writ four one Col: Stark one to Major Moor one to Master Eagan and one to Bob

23d I went to Robert McGregores to meet the Post and Tarried all day but he did not come and I got a pound of Coffie from Moly McNeill and I had a bowle of tody for which I paid her 2/2 four pence was in her hands before of it

24th I went to McGregores and waited for the post but he did not come and I got two pounds of Coffie from Moly McNeal and ½ a bowle of tody and did not pay her for want of change

25th I went set out to go to McGregores to meet the post and Met McGregores boy comeing for me on the post horse and I gave the post four letters for the carriag of which I paid him 4/ and he agreed to bring my johns things exceept the Gun and accoutraments toward his doing it I paid him 8/ and I had half a bowle of tody and 2 quarts of Oats for the post horse for Which and and the two £ of coffee and ½ bowle of tody I had yesterday I paid 4/1 and Patrick Murfey paid me 3/ and Zechariah Chandler looked the bill and one of them handed the bill to me and I put it up in my book without looking at it

26th In the morning I found that the bill I took of Patrick Murfey yesterday was a 3 £ instead of a 3/ and I took after him to overtake him to Rectify the affair but he was Gone that I could not I went as far as Col: Moors and got back at 12 o Clock

27th I mowed three small cocks in the lower end of the meadow and the afternoon I turned and Raked some the boys mowed in the pasture and between and the meadow and a little before night I went to McGaws and bot 7 £ of Shugar at 5/6 and a Quart of Rum at ⅓ and ½ a bowle of Tody at /4 which I paid him

28th I heard Mr Webster preached in Bedford

29th we Shelled 4½ bushell of corn and I took 1½ bushell of Rie and 2 bushell of corn to Lieut Littles mill but could not get it ground

30th I went to Littles mill and got the meal of the grain I took there yesterday and I mowed in the afternoon in the meadow at home

31st I went to Amherst to the Probate and we did as much business as we took 16/ for and I had done as much at home as I took 15/ for of which the Register gave me 13/ and I paid him what I borrowed off him at Exeter being 52/ and I paid him 5/ that he had paid for me for my commission as a judge of Probt I tarried at Mr Hildreths over night

AUGUST FIRST

Col: Kelley according to orders from the Comtee of Safty published INDEPENDANCE in Amherst one of Amherst Companies under Capt John Bradford and Lindborough company under Capt Clark attended under arms the Whole was conducted with decence and Decorum and the people departed in peace and good order The prinsaple Gentlemen of the County attended but not any who have been suspected of being unfriendly to the country attended my Expences was 5/ I bot two scycles from Means for which I paid 5/ and I came home in the Evening and Doctr Nichols and I swore Col: Goffe jacob Abbot Robert MacGregore and Moses Little as justices for this county and john Hogg and Zechariah Chandler as Coroners AND I Paid Ensn Ames 7-16-0 in cash and 2-10-6 I paid Doctr Gillman for him was the whole of his wages for his attending the General Court in their last Sessions Exceept two pence which he gave me whose wages I drawed by his order

3d We began to Reap our Rie

5th we Reaped with what we did the 3d to make 20 Stooks and got it into the barn and Shed made a new Shoe for my horse of my iron and Set it and set another for me and we got Acct by a letter from Master Egan to my bror that Bob was gone to Fort George to the Hospital Sick

6th My bror borrowed ten Dollars for me and lent me four himself and we had sixteen dollars and 2/6 among us in the famely and I set out for Fort George to see Bob and the 14th I arrived at Fort George and found that Bob had got Better and was Returned to Tyconderoga

16th I arrived at Tyconderoga and tarried at Col Starke and his other field officers untill the 22d in the morning which time I set off for fort George and Bob with me on Furlow We were two days comeing over Lake George and September first we arived home I was 27 days from home my Expenses was about 21 Dollars as I was going Samuel Pattersons wife lent me four Dollars of her own accord and I paid them to her as I came home While I was gone our folks hired Robt Giffen 2½ days or 3 days and jonathan Griffen one day and my Brothers Betty and Margaret helped to Reap from Tuesday noon till Saterday night when they finished they tell me that we have 25 Stooks of Rie in all this year and Deacon Moors john Reaped two days and a half for us

SEPTEMBER FIRST

I arrived home from the Army and Bob with me

2d Widow jean Barnets two sons helped me at the little meadow

3d I delivered to Mrs Newman the things her husband sent her from

the Lake (viz) a pair of Silver shoe and knee buckles a peice of Ban leather and Eight Dollars in money and I gave Lieut McCalleys wife ten Dollars in cash that her husband sent to her by me and I went to Robert McGregores and got my Shoes mended and I directed him concerning the process agt Col Wm Stark and he would take nothing for the mending my shoes and I charged him nothing for what I did for him

4th Widow jean Barnets two sons helped us at the little meadow and I went to the afternoon and we brot home a load and Mr Caldwell sent Dina and their boys and helped to Rake a while the afternoon

5th we finished mowing Exceept what was among the bushes in the Governor lott and we brot home two jag

6th we finished Rakeing what we mowed we have 55 cocks beside a jag we brot home

7th my brors john went with their Team and brot a load of hay from the little meadow and we brot one ourselves and it Rained and we did not go a second time we had Mr Caldwells Cart

9th my brors john brot a load of hay from the meadow and we brot two ourselves and I went and met the funeral of Daniel McKinney who Died last Saterday

10th jamey brot home the last of the hay from the meadow We have had nineteen jag this year from the little meadow and I sent 4 bushel of Rie to Colonel Moors mill and he Ground two bushell of it and I had the Toal and we Cut some of the Stalks

11th 12th 13th & 14th we cut Stalks and worked at the hay in the meadow at home

16th I set out to Exeter to attend the General Court and sit in it 4 days my attendance and travil come to 35/8 my Expences was 17/4½ I bot things to the amount of 17/7 ⅔ and I Recd my pay for my attending in the Comitee of Safty being 43/8

21st arrived home in the Evening from Exeter

23d I took the proof of Neal Taggarts will it was offered by Capt Robert Wallace and his Brother Thomas who are Excurs The Witnesses were james Wallace their brother and his son Robert Capt Wallace paid me 7/ for the Regtrs and my fees and the afternoon I lay abed with a bad Cold and the ague in my flesh

24th lay abed all day with the same disorder I got a little sweat in the evening and I got some easyer

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM SEPTEMBER 25th 1776

25th I went to Amherst to the Probate Court my part of the fees with my part of the fees of the takeing the proof of Neal Taggarts Will the 23d came to 26/4 the Register gave me 27/ my Expences was 2/ and I got ½ a gallon of Rum from Lieut Hildreth and 1/5 I owed him before came to 3/4 which I paid him and I came home in the night

26th I assisted Col: Moor in paying the men he mustered at McGregores that was Raised in his Regiment for New York I got home about four o Clock in the morning he paid my expences and I got a shilling for takeing the acknowledgement of a Deed for Moses Wells

27th I swore Thos Boies and Mrs Black in a Dispute between Boies and Adam Dickey concerning the payment of two Dollars and I swore the apprizers of john Smiths Estate

28th I writ a bond and a Wart of apprizement and filled a letter of Adminr for jane Barnett and Robt Walker Adminrs on William Barnetts Estate they did not pay me any fees and I writ a Deed from Thos Boies to john Lovejoy and took the acknowledgement for which Boies paid me 2/ and I compleated the Muster Roll for Col: Moor and I writ a letter for him to Col: Baldwin of who were appointed officers in the Company he mustered

30th I drawed a list of the men Col: Moor mustered at his desire for Capt McConnel And I Recd 1-1-0 from Nath Clark being the Remainder of his note and the Intrest

OCTOBER FIRST

I went and cut up corn for George Orrs wife being one of the two days I promised to give him when he Enlisted and jamey got in a small load of corn

2d we husked the corn jamey got in yesterday and we got in more corn

3d we got in more corn that we filled the barn floor

4 & 5th we husked what corn we had in we have 39 baskets in all we have got in and we got the corn up into the Garret

7th we got in 5 load of corn

8th we husked 21 full of our baskets

9th in the forenoon I signed a Wart for Col: Goffe against Esqr Rand and the afternoon I was sent for to go to the Col: to deside the affair with Esqr Underwood who signed the Wart as well as me and I went and we worried with them untill in the Evening and continued the case until next saterday at two of the Clock to meet at Col: Goffes again And we among us husked 28 fulls of our baskets

10th was a Fast throughout the State on acct of our Deficualtys

11th I swore the adminrs and Apprisers of William Barnetts Estate and they Returned the Inventory

12th in the afternoon I went to Col: Goffes to determin between him and Esqr Rand and Rand he proposed to go off and the Col Droped his Compt and Rand and I paid Rand 3/ and we changed Receipts

13th Mr Stearns preached in Bedford the first time

14th we husked at the corn

15th Bob went off to the army and jamey went with him and I gave him five Dollars to bear his Expences and Shed set two shoes on my horses fore feet in the morning and in the afternoon we got in some corn

16th we got in the last of our corn

17th we finished husking our corn we have according to our basket 137 bushell in all our women folks all helped us husk from the time that Bob went away untill we finished they helped us husk a little above 40 bushell and I went and got some mending done to my Shoes at McGregores by Hacket and he would not take anything for it and I had half a bowle of Tody and paid Six pence for it to Moly McNeill

18th we all hands worked at Raising Potatoes we raised 61½ bushell

19th we butchered one of the hogs we had in the pen a fatting was a very small one

20th Mr Stearns preached in Bedford

21st we got in the stalks pumpkins and beans and I got two pound of Tobacca from Widow Jean Barnett to be settled in our acct

22d jamey came home from Going to No 4 with Bob and John Dobbyn came home from the army at Tyconderoga and brot a pound of Tea and Some shugar I suppose 2 or 3 £ for us and a large white silk handkerchief for Bettsay and a small silk handkerchief for sarah he Was sent by several of the officers home with money and some things

23d I went with 2 bushell of Indian corn and a bushell of Rie to Col: Moors and had it ground and I had the Toal

24th we diged potatoes since monday morning we have diged 48½ bushell

25th we diged potatoes and at Evening I writ a Deed from Col: Moor to one Thos Stevens at Andover of Miller Moors old place I would not take any pay for writing the deed and Stevens paid me 1/ for takeing the acknowledgement

26th we finished diging potatoes we have 165 bushell in the wholl this year and I Drawed a bond of Guardianship for William Reed of Litchfield for Majr McQueston to be his Guardian and McQueston paid me 6/ for it and for the Letter of guardianship which I am to make out for him

27th Mr Stearns preached in Bedford

28th I drawed Daniel McMillan of Newbostons will and some blanks for the Probate

29th I drawed the letter of Guardianship for Majr McQuestion and the Deed from my bror to his son Samll of two lotts in the 11th Rang

30th I went Amherst and held a Probate court the fees I took there came to 42/ my part was 14/ The Register was absent and his part was in my hands my Expences was 3/10 and I bot 4 £ of Red wood and as much Log wood and a pound of Alum and a pound of Copperas and 13 needles at Means for which I paid 8/5 and I came in the night

31st Capt Robt & Lieut Thos Wallace came and the apprizers of Neal Taggarts Estate Returned the Inventory all of them were sworn in common form Capt Wallace paid me 3/ as fees

NOVEMBER 1st

I went to Col: Moors mill and took 2 bushell of corn and 1¼ bushell of Rie being the last of my old Rie but could not get it ground and I left it

2d I took 2 bushell of new corn and went to Lt Littles mill being the first new corn I have taken to mill this year and got it ground

3d Mr Stearns preached in Bedford

4th I gave Jean Barnett a wart to have her thirds layed off paid no fees and I worked some at Drawing out johns acct but was hindered by company here and I writ a letter for Lt McCalleys wife to send to him at the army

5th I finished a letter to Col: Starke and I writ a letter to Bob to go by Abraam Moor the Rest of the day. I workt at Drawed out johns accts

6th I brot home the two bushell of corn and meal from Col: Moors Mill that I took there the 1st Instant the Rie that I took there then somebody had taken away bag and all but dont know who

7th I cleaned six Bushell of Rie and put more through the corse Riddel

8th I sowed four bushell of Rie in the field above the Barn and David harrowed at it .

9th I sowed four Bushell of Rie and David harrowed at it and I finished a cleaning up the Remainder of the 18 stooks & 11 sheves there was 14¾ Bushell of it in all jamey thrashed it at my Brors Barn

10th Mr Burnap preached in Bedford for Mr Stearns

11th I sowed four bushell and about a half of Rie Which sowed the field by the Barn I have sowed 12 bushell and about a half on it in all it threatens much for a Storm the wind at N: E: and the afternoon I went to Lieut Littles Mill with 2 bushell of Indian corn and 2 of Rie and got it Ground

12 & 13th I lay abed with the ague in my flesh much out of case

14th I went to MacGregores on Capt Robt and Lt Thos Wallaces acct as Exers of the Estate of Neil Taggart conserning john Taggarts detaining some of the Estate in his hands as they suspected but did nothing but Reason that Capt Wallace had got a hurt and could not attend I Recd no pay for my time and I had a bowle of Tody for which I paid nine Pence

15 & 16th I writ at letters to go to the army and john Dobins Will

17th Mr Stearns preached in Bedford

18th I set off to accompany john Dobin on his way to the army and we went to Capt Hutchinsons and we lodged there

19th I came home and I bot ½ a gallon of Molasses and an Almanack at Means for which I paid 2/9 Lawfull my Expences that I paid were 2/3 and I let Dobin have 2 Dollars

20th My Brors Ram came over yesterday & last night he killed a young Ram of mine dead and a Ewe was allmost dead that I stuck her and bled her and we killed one of the pigs we had from Morrial this Summer that weighed 73 £

21st WAS THANKSGIVEING THROUGH THIS STATE BY ORDER OF THE GENERAL COURT

22d I got a side of Sole leather from Steven French that he Tanned for William Newman I have to Settle with

24th I made a pair of heels for a pair of shoes for my wife and I gave Lt Thos Wallace a Warrant for Commissions to Examin the Claims on the Estate of Neil Taggart and he did not pay the fees and I went to Col: john Stark and I settled with him for what cloath john had from him being 5-13-4 ¼ he had 7-5-0 of johns wages in his hands and he paid me the balance being 1-11-7 ¾ and he gave me 10 pence one farthing over and I lodged there that night a great snow storm

25th I came home after breakfast and I paid 6 pence for half a bowle of Tody to Moly MacNeal that I had there yesterday & and I paid john Miller 39/ being all I owed him Exceept three pence

26th I went to Amherst and attended the Probate and we did as much business as our fees came to five pounds and what business that we did since the last probate that I attended came to 3 pounds and I had 14/ of it in my hands and I Recd 39/6 my Expences was 4/6 and I lodged at Mr Hildreths and I got 2 Skeans of twist at Meanses for which I paid two shillings and I paid Capt Hutchinson a shilling that jonas Cutting sent by me to pay him for a meal he had there as he was comeing from Tyconderoga

27th I came home and Mr joseph Steel came home with me and I Drawed a Deed anew & I new drawed his will and I charged him 9/ and he paid me 9/6 and I could not give him the six pence for want of change and I got a shilling from William Perham for an Indenture of jonas Cuttings Daniell and another shilling from jonas but intend to Return jonas his again

28th I went to McGaws and I had a jill of Brandy for which I paid six pence and I got two skeans of twist from joseph Thomas to work the buttonholes of my Cloaths and I did not pay him for them and I sent a Dollar by john Dobbin to Robt McClure to pay my part of what is proposed to be Raised to buy Twine for Nutts Seine

MARCH FIRST

I sent 14/8 with Mr Nathan Shed to Boston to buy 4 £ of Cotton and I Recd 7/2 from Samuell Houston that he owed our john and Mr john Barber finished makeing me a suit of Cloathes of the Cloath that john bot of Col : Starke and I paid Mr Barber 10/ toward the makeing of them

3d I went to Londonderry and I lodged at Robt Macmurphys

4th Robt Macmurphy gave me almost a barrel of Viniger and they filled it up with Cydar I took the horse and sley and barrel with me yesterday and I got cold and layd by severall days I had half a bowle of tody at john Duncans for which I paid /5⅓

5th 6th 7th & 8th I lay by on the 7th I gave Esqr Blodget a Commission to Capt Little and Richards to Examin the Claims on Capt Perkins Estate he paid no fees Mr Barber came here to work last Tuesday

10th I drawed two accts for jonas Cutting and certified the Captions on them and I writ a power of attorney for him to Zechariah Chandler and I took the acknowledgement of it and charged him nothing for it and jams Martain paid me 2 Dollars that he owed my john

11th jamey Orr made a Shoe for my horses off fore foot of my Iron and set it

12th I set out for Exeter and Bob with me and we lodged at Robert Macmurphys

13th we arrived at Exeter in the afternoon and Bob Returned to Mr Towles and he lodged there and he paid what Expences we had a going down and his charge this night came to five shillings And I attended in the Council untill the 12th of Aprill inclusive being 31 days my Wages came to 9-17-8 My Expences were 3-6-4 I arrived home the 13th Col : Goffe brot my Saddle baggs and things from Exeter to his house

14th I went to Mr James Caldwells to try to agree him and his son William

15th & 16th I did some mending for Suseys Loom & I took a Proclamation for the Fast to be held the 24th Instant and the Resolve of Court for a new Invoice to Majr Goffe one of the Selectmen

18th I took 3 bushell of Indian Corn to Col Moors Mill and got it Ground & I had the Toal and I went to Lt Taylors to get Malt but got none

19th I writ a Deed from Zechairah Chandler of 3 lotts in Bedford to john Ferson of Goffestown and I took the acknowledgement for which Ferson paid me a shilling and Chandler paid me 1/ for the deed and 1/ for a Deed I writ from him to john Aiken

21st I took 3 bushell of Rie and 3 bushell of corn to Col: Moors mill at twice and I got 3 of it ground and I got the 3 bushell that I took there a Saturday last that I got 3 bushell of Rie meal and 3 of Indian home today and I left 3 bushell there 1½ of each sort

22d I took 1½ bushell of Rie and 1½ bushell of Corn to Col: Moors mill and I got the 3 bushell I left there yesterday

23d I got the 1½ bushell of each sort that I left there yesterday and 1½ bushell of Rie and 1½ of Indian and I left 1½ bushell of each sort there over the Fast I went twice to mill today

24th WAS A FAST THROUGH THE STATE BY ORDER OF THE GENERAL COURT

·25 & 26th I went mill each day and got 3 bushell of Rie 3 bushell of corn from Col: Moors mill and I left 3 bushell of corn there

28th I went to Wallaces Sawmill and got 3 feet long off an Oak plank of widow jane Barnetts boys to make two braces for Suseys loom

29th I finished makeing the braces and Capt Elisha Woodbury came and I settled with him for what he paid for john being 27–12–0 and I paid him of all to nine £

30th I attended the Probate court at Amherst and my fees today and the last probate day came to 3–15–0 out of which I had Recd 7/ and 6/ I have to Receive from Widow Austin for a license to sell land and I Recd 64/ I paid Esqr Blanchards expences and my own at Smiths was 6/3 and my Expences at Hildreths was 4/3 and 3/ he says I owed him since Febr Probate Which I paid

MAY FIRST

was a violent snow storm from the N: E: I came home in the afternoon

3d I went to the Cedar swamp in Goffestown and got some Bolts that Thos Karr had split out to make some pails and I cut a Net pole and brot it to Wm Karrs and left it there and I had a bowle of Tody at McGregores for which I paid 1/6

5th I shaved a quantity of pail and a little tub Staves and in the afternoon I went to a town meeting

6th I gave Widow Austin her letter of Adminr and a license to sell her husbands Estate for said license she paid me a dollar and she paid me half a dollar that her Husband owed my john for a worsted cap

7th I went to Mr Caldwells to try to bring him & his son William to an agreement but could not I spent half the day or more on it but could not

8th I spent the whole of the day in drawing a Report to lay before the

town at the adjournment of their meeting concerning a bounty to the soldiers and joseph Farmer came and speded a Sow for us for which I pd him half a Dollar

9th I worked at stuff for pails

10th I went in the afternoon to Samuel Moor and I Run the line between him and john Wallace and across the East end of his northerly lott I charged him 3/ unpaid

12th Nathan Shed made 3 new shoes of his iron and Set them and set one of them that was on before and I paid john Dobbin six Dollars that he gave me last faull to send to Ensn Andrews and I never had an opportunity to send it and I set up a pail and hooped it

13th I finished the pail and in the afternoon I went to Esquire Macgregores to try a case between Plumer Wheelar of Dunbarton Compt and Peltiah Clements of Bow Respondant the prosses Quashed for the Respt name was spelled Pelitiah The Compt father paid me 7/6 for my trouble and the Respt paid me 2/1 for a summons he got for 3 Evidences and I had a bowle of tody at McGregores for which I paid 1/2

14th I went to Widow Littles and writ a lease from james Cairns to Amaziah Pollard of his part of his uncles place and a lease from the Widow to Pollard of her thirds I charged 8/ but no settlement was made how to pay it I must charge Pollard as he spoke to me to do the Service

15th I went to Thos Shirleys and I got what his wife guesed to be a peck of flax seed it was very dirty for which I paid her 2/ and I got 7 quarts from john McKinney for which I paid him 1/8

16th was a considerable Rain and I cleaned the flax seed I got yesterday

17th I made part of little tubb

19th I sowed all the flax seed I got the 15th but about 4 quarts there was near 12 Quarts sowed and I finished the little tub I began the 17th

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MAY 19th 1777

20th I went at William Howards desire and Run lines for Oliver Roby and was to have done a small bit of surveying for Howard but he did not attend I charged 1½ dollar and Roby paid me a Dollar of it I was busey the whole time in Robys business so that he ought to pay the whole

21st I went to Hugh Greggs in Newboston & I writ his Will and two deeds to two of his sons (viz) john and Samll

22d I took the acknowledgements of the two Deeds I writ yesterday and I came to Widow Cochrance and I got two pound of Flax from Nathaniel Clark and it is to answer toward my pains and trouble about a lott of land is about getting of Col: Atkinsons and the boys finished planting corn they had Capt McLaughlins john and james and joseph helping us yesterday to plant it has been a very cold day the wind high at N: W:

23d I got 3 bushell of potatoes from john Thomas to plant and he would not take any pay for them and I sent Alexr to Mr Caldwells and he got 3 bushell of potatoes the price I dont know

24th I went to fish at the Seine and the partners would not bring me over and I had to come home again and I went to the falls in the afternoon and I got a Salmon that weighed 13 £ at our setting place

26th I butchered a Sow we had been fatting and I went to the falls and I got nineteen shad and I gave one of them for a mug of cydar and I lodged at Esqr MacGregores

27th I catched a Salmon that weighed 19 £ and 2 shad and I granted Adminr on john Todds Estate to his widow and I got a shad nett from her at a Dollar in the pay and I Recd the Inventory of Stephen Calls Estate and swore the Admr the apprizer was Swore before a justice she paid me 3/ and I went with Esqr MacGregore to Ezekiel Stevens and took the acknowledgement of a Deed for McGregore & Bob got 30 shad at the Scene

28th I went to Amherst to the Probate Court we did as much business with what each of us did since last probate day as my part of the fees came to 30/ 16/ of it I had Recd before Exceept 6/ which was in widow Littles hand not paid and 14/ I Recd in cash and I lodged at Hildreths my Expences was 5/3 I bot 7 £ of shugar and 2 £ of Coffie at Meanses for which I paid 12/6 and I bot a £ of Coffie for Wm Karrs wife for which I paid 3/ she sent the money

29th I came home

I fished untill the 4th of june Inclusive but what Quantity I got I cant Remember

JUNE 5th I sett out for Exeter and arrived there that night and tarryed there at the Court untill the 28th inclusive my wages came to 7-15-8 my Expences was 3-0-9 I bot as much as came to 17/3 and I paid 2/ for James Moor of Goffestown to Deacon Brooks for his Searching for and Examining 2 Deeds of his they were Delivered in In October 1765

29th I arived home and john O Neil brot my things home

30th the company was warned to meet on the news that Tyconderoga was besieged and the communication cut off they met in the afternoon when 8 promised to go

JULY FIRST

There was 6 marched off from Col: Moors (viz) Majr Goffe Capt MacLaughlin Ensn Patterson my brors john & my Bob & john Barnett and Wm McCleary was Expected to go I went to the Cols and see them march off and the afternoon I went to the Falls to take care of my netts I left 2 poles one of them had a new bow on it and the other without in Wm Karrs Barn and I brot home 3 netts and 2 poles and bows and I had ½ a bowle of tody at MacGregores for which I paid a Shilling

2d I settled with widow jean Barnett for all Accounts between her and me and for what my john layed out for her husband in the army and she paid me the ballance being thirty-six shillings

3d I went to Amherst and attended the Sessions and we adjourned untill the last Wednesday of August next at 3 o Clock in the afternoon & I came home in the afternoon my Expences was 2/6 I paid 1/6 of it and I owe a shilling of it yet to Hildreth and Capt Lovejoy gave me and Cols: Goffe and Nichols our Diner and Tody and would not take any pay for it

4th I went to Col: Moors and got liberty from him to get Plank at MacAllesters mill of his for fellows for a pair of Cart Wheels

5th I went and got a plank of 27 feet that made the 12 fellows and I rounded 3 of them out

6th Sabathday the town met at the meeting house about Raising men to go to Ticonderoga but got none to go

7th I went and brot the fellows for my Cart home and I signed a Wart for Samll Kennedy agt Captain Richards for a breach of the peace

8th I brot home the hubb for my Wheels and I went to MacGregores and I had ½ a bowle of Tody and I could pay for they could change the bill I had

9th I drawed an acct for widow Margaret Bell against Doctr Toothacker Decd and swore her to it I charged her a shilling she did not pay it and I writ a deed from Zech Chandler to Ensign Chubbock unpaid

10th I began to fitt the hubb for my wheels & I took 3 bushell of Rie to Littles mill and had it ground

11th I workt the forenoon at the hubs and the afternoon I went to Esqr Macgregores to Determin the Case between Samll Kennedy and Capt Richards and the case blowed up the Compt was to be on the 3 and the evidences swore it was on the 4th the parties agreed to leave it to men and they chose them and Samll Kennedy gave me 11/ for my trouble and I gave Moly MacNeil ½ a Dollar to give to Wm Karrs wife the change of a dollar she sent with me in May to Amherst for a pound of Coffie and I carried 2 bushell of corn to Littles mill and had it ground

12th I writ a Deed from Capt Karr to Majr Goffe of a lott in Goffestown (viz) no one in the 6th Rang on the south side of Piscataquog River and I took the acknowledgement for which they paid me two Shillings

13th I Recd a line from Col: Moore by desire of Col: Nichols at 9 o Clock at Night to go to Exeter tomorrow morning on acct of the Evacuation of Ticonderoga

14th I set for Exeter with Col: Goffe and arived there about six o Clock in the evening & tarried untill the 17th on which day the Court met and we adjourned the 19th I Recd no wages my Expences was 27/6 I bot 15⅓ £ of tobacca for which I paid 20/ and a pound of Indigo for which I paid 20/ and a Shilling worth of wire

20th I arived home I brot up for Col: Moor 802 £ to pay advance wages to Soldiers to be Raised instantly

21st Shed welded one of my cart hoops

23d I went to Capt MacGaws in Newboston and mustered 52 men for Col: Moor they were of Lindborough Newboston Francistown Deering and Antrim my Expences was 1/6 at McGaws and I went to Hugh Greggs and lodged there

24th I came to Esqr MacGregores to assist Col Moor to muster men I got home ½ past 1 o Clock in the morning I workt some at my Cart wheels till the 30th

30th I attended the Probate court at Amherst with what the Regr and I did at home and the last Probate day the Regr acted without me my part of the fees came to 39/2 I Recd 39/4 I paid the Regr Expences at Smiths being 1/6 my wholl Expences with ½ a bowle of tody I owed Hildreth since the last time I was in Amherst was 5/4 I got home about 11 o Clock at night

31st I gave Benjn Eastman a commission to have the claims to his Father Capt Eastmans Estate Examined and I writ an advertisement for to publish the same in the newspapers I charged 4/ and he did not pay for want of change

AUGUST 1st 2d & 4th

I worked at my wheels on the 4th I signed a Wart to Capt Chamberlin agt joseph Henry

5th I writ two Deeds one from Ebenr Coston to David Rowel and one from Rowel to Coston and I took the acknowledgement for which I charged 4/ Rowel is to pay me it was a Rainey day and we shelled six bushell of Corn & I signed a Wart to jos Henry against Capt Chamberlin

6th jacob MacGaw came with Capt Chamberlin & joseph Henry prisoners the partys agreed to leave their differance to Doctr Parker Majr McQueston and Lieut Hildreth I called one of the case and made out the Rule Henrys father paid me a Dollar bill and Chamberlin paid me 5/6 I gave them the original papers to be Returned in Sixty days

7th was a Fast throughout the State by order of the General Court

8 & 9th I workt at the cart wheels

11 & 12th I workt at the wheels and an axle tree and finished them Exceept puting on the Tyre

13th Shed made me 26 cart nails and fitted one of the Strecks of the Tyre and I put the Tyre on the wheels

14th I finished my cart and the children finished Reaping the field by my Brors there was 2 stooks and 8 Sheaves on it and the boys carted into my brors old barn & we began to Reap in the field at home by the Barn and we reaped two stooks

15th we Reaped the forenoon and a little in the afternoon and it Came on a Remarkable great Thunder Shower we Reaped 9 stooks and looks much like a settled storm

16th was a fine drying Day and Capt McLaughlins john helped us Reap we Reaped 15 stooks and we dryed a jag of hay in the meadow and got it in and we got in 13 Stooks of rie

19 20 & 21st we Reaped and finished on the 19th my brors Ann helped us in the afternoon We have 69 Stooks and 4 Sheaves in the field by the Barn we have 97 Stooks in all this year and Bob and David went to the little meadow in the afternoon of the 21st and began to mow and I granted Admr to Hannah Hale on her late Husbands joshua Hales Estate for which she paid me 7/

22d I brot home a jag of hay out of the Governor lott except 2 cocks

23d I brot a jag out of the Governor lott which was the wholl of it except what growed among the bushes

26th Shed set 4 shoes on my horse one wholl shoe he found he put a peice on the toe of 2 of mine and one on the one that he found

27th I went to Amherst and attended the Probate Court we did as much business as the fees came to 55/ and 7/ I had for the admr on joshua Hales Estate amounted to 61/ since the last Probate day the Register gave me 20/9 my Expences was 4/3 and I paid it except 4 pence to Hildreth that

we could not make change and I came in in the night I got home about 11 o Clock and we workt at haying in the Little meadow to the last of the month

SEPTEMBER

We continued to hay at the little meadow to the 9th which day I brot the last of the hay home I went 18 times to the meadow with the Team and the Boys got the Last of the hay in the meadow at home meadow into cock on the 8th Alex^{r} in loading a load of hay sliped and fell backward and one of the Stakes Run into the back side of his left thigh and made a Great hole and laid him by from work and jean got her leg much hurt by the Cart body falling down on her by an accident and has been unable to go on that leg since

10th I went to Esqr MacGregores and tryed a case between john Stinson Junr and john Holms both of Dunbarton for a breech of the peace I adjudged him Guilty and he appealed and he paid 2/ for the appeal and 2/ toward the coppy of the Case and Stinson paid me 6/ for my going to MacGregores and trying the case and I writ a power of attorney for Timothy Hutchinson and took the acknowledgement for which he paid me 3/ and jonathan Wood paid me 5/6 for apprizement and swearing one of the apprizers some years past and I got ½ a pint of Rum from MacGregor for to bath the childrens hurts for which I paid him 2/6

11th 12th & 13th I coppyed the case for john Holms and worked at the hay we carted the hay out of the meadow and spread it on the Stuble and we got it dryed the 13th

15th we stacked it in the morning and I writ a Deed from Col Moor to Doctr Cutler and some other writings for them I charged 3/ for they did not pay me and and the Col and I fitted at his muster and pay roll of the men that went out of his Regiment to the state of Vermont

17th we bound and Shocked near 3 acres of Stalks and I set for Portsmouth to attend the General Court I went by the way of Hemstead and Recd 5 Dollars from joseph Dow that he owed our Robt lodged at a widow Littles

18th I arived at Portsmouth at Exeter I paid into the Treasury of the money that I brot to Col Moor in July last 177–14–0 and I got 27 £ of the long money for Divers changed in the Treasury I tarryed at Portsmouth untill the 27th which day the court was adjourned to the first wednesday in November then to meet at Exeter my expences was 3–11–6 I bot a pair of Specticles for which I paid a Dollar in my going down I paid Major Pinkerton four Dollars that my john owed him I attended the General Court 11 days I Drawed no pay for it nor for the Short Session in July which are both due to me yet

28th I came home

29th I attended at a muster in Bedford and endeavored to animate the men to go to the army I paid 16/ to Patrick Larkin part of the 20/ he gave me for Thos Boies to be changed and paid Wm Newman 2–10–0 that he sent and paid Zech Chandler 3 £ that he sent

30th I went to Littles mill and got 2 bushell of corn ground and I paid

Moly MacNeal 5–15–0 that Esqr MacGregore sent and I pd David Moor 5/ that he sent and I paid him 3 £ that his bror james sent to be changed

OCTOBER FIRST

set out for Exeter to inform the Comtee that the men in Divers among us were backward to go to the army lodged at Blunt

2d. I arrived at Exeter before dinner See Capt Lads privateer launched

3d I got 4–10–0 changed in the Treasury 2–17–0 of it was patrick Murphys Estate ½ a Dollar my own and 30/ was john Wards and I got the muster and pay Rolls of the men that went out of Col: Moors Regt in July last settled one Roll was of 86 men the other of 52 the whole expence was 8–1–0 the whole pay came to me Except 2–8–0 I Recd an order on the Treasr for 4–15–0 with 3–6–0 that was in my hands and what I Returned into the Treasry the 18 of Septr amounted to the whole I Recd out of the Treasury in july last for Col : Moor being 802 £ and I came home near the middle of the night my Expences was 13/ I bot a side of Sole leather from Elipht Hale of 17 £ weigh and paid him 8½ Dollars for it and am to pay him more if hides are more than six pence a pound

4th I paid Capt Woodbury 10 Dollars of what john owed him and I paid Col : Moors wife the 30/ he sent with me to be changed and 8 Dollars his part of Muster and paying the men that went out of his Regiment in july and I went to Littles mill and took 1½ bushell of corn being the last old corn we have and 1½ bushell of Rie I got the Rie ground and left the corn

6th I drawed an acct for joseph Wallace and Swore him to it against Doctr Toothaker unpaid and we began to get in the first of our Indian corn And we followed it on to the 20th day which day we finished husking we have 86 bushell this year in the time we split the hills Ready to sow the Rie on The 17th I writ a Deed from Wm Walton to john Griffin & took the acknowledgement and notes for which they paid me 3/ the same day I went to Littles mill and got 3 bushell of New Indian Ground being the first this faul

22d I went at the desire of Lieut George Marsdin and Measured off 20 Acres of the south side of the farm that was Aurther Nesmiths to james Boyes for which Marsdin paid me two dollars and we got 38½ £ of Beaf from Stephen French

23d I paid Stephen French for the 38½ £ of Beaf we got from him yesterday being 25/6 and I writ two Deeds from Robt McCalley to john Manahan and I took the acknowledgements for which they paid me a Dollar

24th I divided the 50 Acre lott that Stephen French bot of my Bror between him and Messrs Martin and Gordon

25th I took 1½ bushell of Rie and as much Indian to Littles mill and got it ground and the boys sowed and Harrowed in rie on the corn land

26th I sent 7/ by my james to Zech Chandlers to give the Post for the News the 3 months I propose to take them

27th I sheled some corn it looked like a storm

28th was a very Violent storm of Rain the wind at Northeast and near night it hailed so much that it covered the Ground

29th I went to Amherst to the Probate court the Register was absent it continued Cloudy and the wind at Northeast there was but of few people come I took but 10/10 of fees my Expences was 3/6 and I came home in the Evening I took but 10/10 of fees my Expences was 3/6

The night following the 31st was a Great Frost

NOVEMBER

3d I took the proof of Deacon Boies Will and the Execr Thomas Boies did not pay the fees and I took the proof of Deacon Walkers Will the Widow paid me 9/10 and I went to john Craigs to bring home our cow he had a pastureing and I stayed there all night

4th I brot the cow home and in the Evening I paid john Craig at our house for pastureing her she was there 6 weeks and he gave me one weeks pastureing and I paid him 15/ for the other 5 weeks

5th Lieut Moor butchered our old Taz she had 286 £ of Beaf and 46 £ of hide I took the hide to Stephen French my brors jos helped us dig potatoes in the afternoon from this to the fifteenth we were fitting up things for winter in building a hovel Banking the house &c on the 17th I made our Cyder at my Brors Mill we had 3 barrels of good and allmost a barrel of water cyder

17th I set off for Exeter to attend the General Court and arived there about sun set Esqr MacGregore found me a horse that I might give Evidence in his case with Doctor Hodges I tarried at the Court untill the 29th which day it was Disolved and the 30th I arrived home I had pay for 13 days now I drawed my pay for the Short session in July and the Session in September at Portsmouth the whole amounted to 18-2-14 and I got 4-9-0 for two journeys to Exeter the one in july and the other in October I bot 3 £ of Snuff and two pair of yarn stockings and 2 pair of Sleeve buttons for which I paid 3-17-6 my Expences was 3 £ and six pence while I was at Court our folks Butchered our old Belld Cow she weighed 332 £ of Beaf and 56 £ of hide and 20 £ of tried tallow and they butched two hogs that weighed 360 £ and they borrowed 849 feet of Boards from john Wallace

DECEMBER

1st I paid john Craig the 5 dollars he sent with me to get changed and I paid john Gillmor of Merrymac the 5 dollars he sent and I paid john Aiken 3 dollars of the 4½ he sent and I paid john O Neil and Zechariah Chandler the 9½ dollars that was in my hands of Patrick Murfeys Estate and I attended the meeting of Merrymac and Bedford to chuse a Representative for the towns when my bror was chosen nothing material untill the 8th

4th WAS THE THANKSGIVEING THROUGH THE STATE BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL, AND ASSEMBLY

8th I went to Goffestown and Run some lines for Timothy Kimball and in the Evening I did as much Probate business as I took 31/ for of fees it was for joshua Hale and Capt Perkins Estate

9th I went and Run lines for Timothy Kimball and writ a Deed from

him to one john Duston for yesterday for yesterday and todays service they paid me 36/ and got home about midnight and I paid our jamey 52/ being what my wife borrowed of him to buy a ticket &c

10th I went and Run lines for Hugh Thompson of Derryfield for which he paid me 18/ and I gave our David 36/ to buy Musquash skins he bot 13 today a 2/ each

11th I went to Zechariah Chandlers writ a lease from Capt Karr Capt Richards and Lieut Blake to john Goffe junr Wm Newman Nathl Baker and Lt Enoch Sawyer of a privilege on Piscataquog River at Capt Richards mill to build a Forge on I charged 12 £ of Iron and am to be paid by any of the owners of the Forge in this town whichever I can get the Iron from

15th I took Sole leather and Calf Skin & thread to David Moor to make me a pair of pumps and Shed made two new Shoes for my horse fore feet & Nails to set all the four shoes of my Iron and David went to Col: Moors Mill with three bushell of Indian corn and got it Grown

16th I paid Major Goffe as a selectman 7-16-0 toward my Note to the town that I gave to the town for 9-6-11 the 2d of October 1769 which with my acct I expect will clear the note and I granted Guardianship to Abram Moor of Mary Moor I charged 6/ unpaid and my Bror and set out in the Evening for Exeter and we went jos Bells and lodged there

17th arrived at Exeter and attended the General Court untill January 3d 1778 which day the court adjourned to the second Wednesday of February 1778 I was paid for 18 days which came to 11-19-4 my expences was 5-7-2 and I bot two pair of yarn Stockings for which I paid 22/ to old Mrs Leavit and I got one pair of them the other I have to get the next time I go down and a pound of alspice for which I paid 8/ and I paid Mr Barker eleven Dollars for all the Cloth he has dressed for me and Mary McMurphy and 3½ £ of Salt Petre 17/6 came to 5-16-6 and I left ½ a Dollar in my Landladys hand that she could not Give me for want of change and I got home the 4th

5th I assisted the Selectmen to find the original Proprietors of Bedford and the lands they owned

6th I settled my acct agt the town and my note to this town of 9-6-11 dated the 2d of Octr 1769 and my acct with the money I paid the selectmen the 16th of last Decbr being 7-16-0 overpaid my note one shilling and three farthings

7th I Recd an Order on the Constable from the Selectmen from my johns Rates in the year 1774 being 0-6-6-1 and for Bobs Poll in the town Rate for this year which was Voted free being 18/ and I settled my Rates with john Wallas for the year 1774 and paid him 9/4 with an order of 0-3-4-1 answered my Rates to him and I went to james Voses to hear what acct he brot me about Frank Riches Estate for Wm Karr

8th I went to see Wm Karr to know what he would do about looking after his wifes Uncle Riches Estate and we agreed that I should go to Boston and see what I could find out and he to pay half of the journey and to find me 10 Dollars before I go and if I could get more than to pay me for my trouble he to have the one-half and me the other let it amount never

so much but if I Recovered but Enough to pay me then he to have none and if I Recovered nothing then he to loose the one-half of the journey and me the other and I had a mug of Cydar at McGregores for which I paid 8 pence

9th I paid james Cairns 17/ in mony toward my Rates and gave him the order I got from the Selectmen day before yesterday of 1–4–6–1 both made 2–1–6–1 and I paid james Little 19/ Shillings continental money for 20/ of Connecticut money he sent with me to Exeter to get changed for him

10th I granted Admr to jona Fisk on his fathers Estate 7/6 paid and I assisted Capt Barns of Merrymac a finding the owners of land to make their Rates he paid me 2/4 and I writ a Deed from john Marsh to jamey Patterson Marsh paid me 2/ for the deed and 2/10 to take the acknowledgement of his Deed from Thos McCleary which I am to do and I assisted Esqur Rand in taking the owners of a large no of lotts in Bedford and I granted Guardianship of George McCartney to Wm Rogers of Goffestown for which Rogers paid me 6/

12th I writ a Deed from james Caldwell to his Grandson john Alld and took the acknowledgement for which Allds paid me 4/4 and I writ a Deed from james Patterson to one Thos Townsend & I took the acknowledgement and note &c for which Townsend paid me 6/ for my service

13th I paid Hugh Campbell my Rates for the year 1775 being 1–1–10 and I got a Skean of Moth eaten Mohair of Robert Burns sister Betty for which I paid her 2/ and William Burns gave me two 40/ bills of Connecticut and a 20/ bill of Rhod Island money to get Exchanged with the Post the next time I go to Exeter

16th Thos Karr forged me a bit for turning button moulds for coat buttons and Willm Hodgkins of New Ipswich Returned the Inventory of Estate of Abijah Foster I took no fees by Reason that that he had attended at the Probate court when the Register and I were both absent and I paid Major john Moors son Benjn 2–17–4 on a Note my bror and james Vose gave for him and his bror

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JANUARY 16 1778 AND A PART OF SAID DAY

Samuell Moor for 4–16–0 the 29th of October 1774 which was borrowed to pay the charge of the Lawsuit about School lotts

19th Widow Rebecca Walker and Capt Aiken Returned the Inventory of Deacon Walkers Estate she paid me a Dollar for it and three of the Comtee for laying off Widow jean Barnetts thirds Made Return of their Seting them off no fees paid

20th I drawed an Advertisement for james Cairns to put into the News paper concerning the Rates on the Non resident land in this town he promised to pay me when I paid my Rates I charged a Dollar

21st I carryed three bushell of Rie lacking a little more than a quart to james Taylor and Delivered to him to Malt for me and I got 3 £ of Shugar from Robt Burns for which I paid him 12/ and I paid him 11/ for a pound of Coffie that Susanna got there a while ago and I paid john Aiken the 1½ Dollar that was in my hand of the 4½ he sent to be changed

22d & 23d I Drawed a plan and writ a Deed from William Patten to his son john

24th I writ a Deed from Docr Cutler to old Mr Chubbock and took the acknowledgement of the Deed from james Patterson to Docr Cutler

27th I granted adminstration on the Estate of Andrew Pettingill to his widow Abagal and sent the bond by Esqur Jackman to be signed and Returned and I Recd the Claims on Capt joseph Eastmans Estate and I took the proofs of Wm Godfreys Will

28th I attended the Probate Court at Amherst I took as much fees as come to 25/ all the Rest that I did was for people that had attended on other Probate days that the Regr and I were absent I tarryed all night my Expences was 13/6 and I gave Mr joseph Holt of Wilton 4/4 for assisting me to write

29th I came home and on my home I filled a Deed from jacob McQuead to Mary Riddel and another from john Clark to George Orr and I took the acknowledgements I charged a Dollar and jacob McQuead and Mary Riddel paid me 4/ of it

30th I carried a bushel of Indian corn to Lieut Littles mill and went to Roche to try to get him to come and make my coat but could not get him and I lodged at Ebenr Hackets

31st I came home and brot the meal of the corn I took to Littles mill yesterday and I had ½ a bowle of Tody at MacGregores as I came home for which I paid ½ a dollar

FEBRUARY 2d

I paid Patrick Larkin 4/ being the Remainder of a 20/ Intrest bill he sent with me last Septr to get changed at the Treasury the other 16/ I paid him last Septr when I first came from Court and I writ a Deed from Zachariah Chandler to Ensign Chubbock junr of no 9 in the 6th Rang

3d To going to Zechariah and taking the acknowledgement of the Deed I writ yesterday and of another Deed I writ for him to Ensn Chubbock junr last july for which two Deeds Zech paid me a Dollar and Chubbock is to pay me for the acknowledgements and Notes &c to be settled in our acct the charge is a Dollar and I granted guardianship to Thos Boies of Agnes Cochrane for which Boies paid me a Dollar

4th I went to Mrs Atwoods and got her to our house and cut out my coat and she tarried all night with us

5th I took her home and I took a bushell of corn with me and I went to Col: Moors and got it ground I went there at his desire to Swear some Evidences in an affair between him and Lieut james Smith before Arbitrators the Affair was finished about 10 o Clock and then I came home

6th I went to Col: Moors mill and I took 1½ bushell of corn and so much Rie and I had it ground and I gave him 10 blank Militia commissions I had got and brot from Exeter for him

7th I drawed a petition for john Dunlap in favr of Samll Remick to the General Court and an acct of the Expences for Remicks being wounded at Benington in August last last night it feel a foot deep or better of snow

9th I went to Mr Atwoods for his wife to try on my Surtoot on and I pd her three Dollars for makeing it

10th I went and got my coat from Mrs Atwood

11th it snowed in the morning and afterward it began to Rain and Rained all day and most part of the night I was to have set out for Exeter to attend the General Court but could not for the Storm

12th The wind very high at north it began to Snow in the morning and snowed all day and Drifted very much it abated at Evening

13th the still very high but at N: W: and Drifted a great deal very cold

14th The wind still very high and drifted a great deal and I went Sheds and paid james Orr 3/ being the Remainder of an order that Samll Patten my Brors son Drawed on our john of 15/ john had paid 12/ of it himself and the other 3/ I paid today

16th Set out for Exeter and lodged at Towles

17th arrived at Exeter and attended at the General Court untill the adjournment which was the 14th of March I attended 26 days my Wages and travil amounted to 16–15–4 my Expences were 7–16–9 I Bot some things to the amount of 2–8–0 I paid my Landlady at Exeter only two Dollars, my wholl charge to her was 6–10–6 and the Rest I owe her yet I did not get my wages for want of Money in the Treasury

15th I arrived home at Evening

17th I Recd 12 £ of Iron from William Newman and Nathll Baker for Writing the articles of agreement among them and john Goffe junr and Lieut Sawyer about a forge to be built in Goffestown at Richards mill and 3 £ of Iron more than I am to pay for

18th we hauled two large pine logs to Wallas Mill and got all the loggs we had there onto the ways

19th we hauled one logg to the mill and two short ones as far as Chubbocks field for plank for our barn floor and we cleaned up eight bushell of Rie

20th I took a bushell and about 4 quarts of Rie to Lieut Taylors which with what I took there the 21st of janry made 4 and about 3 or 4 quarts and I got that Quantity of Malt from him for it and came home

21st was a very high wind at N: W: and very cold and in the afternoon I went to Zechariah Chandlers and held a Court between Major Goffe Compt and Michel Dalton the Major made Oath that he was afraid he would do or procure some mischief to be done to him and I bound him to his good behaviour

23d We cleaned up 15½ bushells of Rie and I paid Derryfield and this town men and for their horses that went as far as Keen last summer at the Evacuation of Ticonderoga I paid them at Chandlers it was late before I got home

24th I got Shed to weld a broken place in one of the hoops of our Great Kittle and Rivit two straps on it which were Ready Made and I cleaned better than a bushell of Rie being the last we had to clean of last years crop we have now about 37 bushell by us

25th I went to Amherst to the Probate Court and I tarried over night at Mr Smiths

26th the Register and I settled for all the Business each of us had done since we were together which was last August probate my part of the fees since that time came to 6-7-6 and what he took and this probate made his 2/3 of the whole my Expences were 15/ I came home in the afternoon

27th I went out to jamey and Bobs beyond the near meadow where they are makeing Shugar and brot home I suppos about 3 £ which was all they had made and I gave Banjn Temple of Amherst a Wart to set off his Mothers 3ds for which he paid me a Dollar

28th the boys came home in the evening and brot home a Shugar box full of Shugar with them that would hold 7 £

30th & 31st I workt at makeing pails

APRIL FIRST

I finished the 3d pail these 3 days this week and the boys went off a Shugaring viz jamey and Bob and I bot a pair of Wool cards on Trust from Capt Wm Barron of Merrymac for six Dollars

3d I went up to the boys where they was Shugaring but it was dull weather

4th I came home in the afternoon and I went to William Caldwells and Swore six Evidences for him in his case against john Wallace junr and tarryed all night

6th I split pine wood

7th I went to the boys at their Shugaring

8th we got some More than 7 pails of Sap it made near 4 £ of Shugar

9th we came home

10th I went to Col Moors mill with 1½ bushell of Indian corn and as much Rie & got it Ground & I gave Thos Wilson a Summons for witnesses and the boys got 33 pails of Sap today out of our own trees and 16 out of the other companys trees

11th I cut and Split some pine wood and I gave David Starat a Wart to the Selectmen of Derryfield to give their Oppinion of Elizth Massey the fees unpaid

13th I went out to Shugar of some Sap the boys had boiled the 11th

14th I got it and 1½ pail of sap boiled into Molasses but could not make it into Shugar

15th I attended Deacon Gilmors funeral and in the afternoon I assisted Col Goffe and one Moses Merril and took off a plan for Merril and took the acknowledgement of a Deed for him for which Merril paid me a Dolar

16th WAS A STATE FAST

17th I writ a deed from john Clark to Mary Riddel and a Bond from Mary to him for his Maintenance and I went in the Evening to Zechariah Chandlers and took the acknowledgement of a Deed from Zech to john Burns which deed I writ last Monday for which they paid me ½ a Dollar each

18th I granted administration on the Estate of Eza Mirick to his widow Sarah and on the Estate of Colens Eaton to his widow Mary for which each of them paid me 18/

20th I Run the lines of the lott james Houston bot from Col: Robt Moor

in the 11th Rang I charged him 3 Eel hooks for his part and john McLaughlin is to pay the other part as he joyned on both sides and in the afternoon I went to Mary Riddels I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from her uncle john Clark to her I had writ the Deed and a bond from her to him before she gave me two Dollars for my trouble

21st I was not able to stir to do anything my toe was so bad

22d WAS THE CONTINENTAL FAST BY ORDER OF THE CONGRESS

23d I went to Thos Boiess and got a Cock Turky he weighed 15½ £ from his wife I dont know the terms whether to Return A living one of the same weight or in money

24th I went to Col Moors mill and took 1½ bushell of corn and as much Rie and got it Ground he took no Toal

25th I got a new plow shear and Colter from Willm Newman of 19¼ £ weight at 51/ per £ it came to 4–16–3 I paid him 1–6–6 I owe him 3–9–9 of the price yet I had ½ a pint of Rum from him for which I paid him 3/6

27th I went out to where the boys was makeing Shugar and I made a kar and brot home the big Kittle and the little one the Tub and pail and I cut a White ash for Eel poles and brot for three poles and I had my ancle cut with an ax after night

28th I shaved the three Eel poles I got yesterday

29th I attended the Probate Court at Amherst we took as much fees as came to 8–2–0 since last Probate day I had Recd 2–2–0 for what I did at home and I got 13/ more my Expences was 9/9 and I gave Mr King schoolmaster 12/ to pay for Tax in Lindborough for Col Atkinsons at Georges Kings desire

30th I with Esqr jono Blanchard and my Bror Samll by an order of the Inferiour Court met at Chandlers on a Case between Alex McNeal of Jaffrey and his bror in law Thos Wilson of Newboston we adjourned till the 2d of May next I gave McNeal a Summons for 4 witnesses

MAY FIRST

I Repaired my Compass and I writ a pair of Indentures of jese Cutting to Banjamin Baker I charged 8/ Baker pd me 4/ of it and I split some pine wood

2d my bror and I met at Chandlers on McNeals and Wilsons afair we agreed in judgment we charged them 15/ per day and they paid us the money and to pay for Esqr Blanchards day

5th I Went to Col Moors mill with 1½ bushell of Indian Corn and as much Rie and got it Ground

6th I went to where the boys had been Shugaring and I brot home the Remainder of the things

7th I went to Zechariah Chandlers at the desire of one Moses Merrill and writ a Deed from Col Goffe to him of the Colonels Location and took the acknowledgement for which Merril paid me 1½ Dollar and in the afternoon I went to Chandlers again with the Bondsmen of the Admr of the Estate of john Smith of Goffestown and the guardians of the children and

Mr Samll Renkin and assisted them about Settling untill past midnight they paid me two Dollars for my service

8th was a considerable Rain and shelled some corn

9th I went and Run lines for Esqr Rand and Capt William Baron for which I charged two bushell of Corn or the price of it and I writ a Deed from Capt Barron to Barnet Cain & took the acknowledgement for which I charged a Dollar to be paid between them

11th we sawed some stuff for a washing Tub and Split a little pine wood and the boys began to plant Potatoes & we finished plowing

12th the boys planted potatoes and in the afternoon the began to furrow and I went to Chandlers in the afternoon to assist james Cairns about Vendueing the land for Tax but it was put off till the 19th Instant and I settled with Capt William Barron for the wool Cards I had from him the 1st of Aprill last and I paid him 3 Dollars in money and what I did for him the 9th paid him the six Dollars the price of the Cards and I bot a Razor at MacGregores for which I paid 3/

14th I got a side of sole leather from Capt James Aiken of 11¾ £ weight at a Dollar a pound I paid him two Dollars of the price of it and I owe him 9¾ of a Dollar of it and I got two Tea cups full of Turnip seed from old Mrs Terril for which I paid her husband 3/ L: M:

15th I took the stuff for a pair of shoes for my wife to Samuell Pattersons for him to make and I writ a Deed from Lieut Little of his place and Mills to Samuell Moor and a Lease of it back to Little my charge was three Dollars & the come here & staid till midnight and did not finish they wanted more writings

16th I did the Rest of the writing for Little and Moor and I charged them two Dollars more and the paid me the money and I sowed allmost ½ a bushell of Flaxseed about the Garden and we finished furrowing and chained part of it and the boys put the sideboards on the Cannoe

17th Mr Cotton preached in Bedford

18th I went to Col Moors Mill and took with me 1½ bushell of corn and as much Rie and had it Grownd and I got a pound of Coffie of Robt Burns for which I paid 10/ And in the afternoon I held a court between Wm Wallace of Merrymac and josiah Chamberlins for Chamberlins not Training the 27th of last April I gave judgement in Chamberlins favr for that he had not been properly notified to attend & I lent Wm Wallace 4/6

19th I assisted james Cairns a Vendueing several tracts of land for Tax in Bedford I was Vendue master I bot 3 peices for Tax my charge for my service was 48/

20th I writ the Deed for jonathan Rowel to one Caleb Asten and I took the acknowledgement for which he paid me 6/ and I went and Run the lines of a Lott in Derryfield for joseph Sanders my charge is two bushell of Corn or as much money as will buy it unpaid and I planed the lott and cast the Contents of acres

21st I writ a Deed from joseph Sanders of the lott I Run Round yesterday to one Dicky and I helped about finishing makeing the Cannoe

22d Capt Dow of New Salem came to me With a letter from the

secrityry to attend the General Court and I went and got Ensn Chubbock to set all four of my horses shoes and I sett out for Exeter and lodged at Esqr Sanburns

23d I got to the Council at ½ past 10 and the court adjourned before 2 to the 2d Wednesday of august next and after Dinner I went and Recd my wages from the Treasury for the last Session being 17-7-4 and I paid the Treasr 6-3-7 the Remainder of my Rates that I owed Cairns and I paid old Captain Leavit 5-18-6 that I owed him for board the last session and I Recd my bror Samlls wages being 16-15-4 and I paid his Rates that he owed Cairns being 6-12-10 and I paid Capt Leavit 2-6-6 that he owed him for board and I bot 3 £ and better of snuff out of which Mr Shed sent money for ¼ £ of a pound and I got 4/ worth of Needles and a Dollars worth of Deed blanks and I came to Towles and lodged there

24th I came to Robt MacMurphys and lodged there

25th I got two bushell of Salt from Major Pinkerton for which I paid him 7-16-0 and got home about 2 o clock and went to the Falls and got 2 shad and jamey and Bob got 12 and jamey and I fished Eells the night following we got 14 apeice

26th I got 20 shad at our setting place and jamey got 14 on the Island

27th I attended the Probate court at Amherst my part of the fees came to 41/ I had Recd 20/ of it of the Regr money of fees and on McNeal and Wilson case and he paid me 20/6 my Expences was 7/ and I got home by night

28th I went to Amoskeig to Meet David Starrat but he was gone home and I got 3 eell hook from james Houston made of my Stuff for my Running Round his lott the 20th of last Aprill they should have been made of his stuff

30th I went to the falls and I got two shad and 17 Ellwives the night following a Great Frost that cut off the most of my corn

JUNE FIRST

I filled 4 Deeds of the land Cairns Sold att Vendue it was considerable of Rain and I Drawed a petition for David Starrat to the Superiour Court and I granted him Guardianship of Elizabeth Massey for the Guardianship and drawing a petition and going to the falls to meet him I charged four Dollars and he Paid me the money

2d I went to the falls and the River Rise Very fast and no fish and jamey and Bob went up yesterday we all come home jamey got 2 shad and Bob and I got 7 Ellwives jamey and I had a bowle of Tody at Karrs that I owe for yet

3d I sent a three Dollar bill with jamey to Mr Houston to pay 8/9 for the Worcester paper for three months and am to have last weeks paper the first of them and I paid my Bror 7 Dollars being the Ballance of his wages at the Session of General Court in Febr and March last above what I paid of his Rates and to Capt Leavit for his board made altogether 16-15-4 which was the whole of his wages that I Recd

4th I went and cut a white ash stick on young Ensn Chubbocks lands that made 10 scoop Net Bows and 3 eell poles and brot the stuff for the Bows home

5th I shaved and bent the 10 Bows and made two of the Ell poles and I gave Samuell Kennedy a Summons for Evidences in his case with George Addison and for that and advice I gave him he made a present of a five Dollar bill to me

6th Mr Perkinses prentices finished makeing a Suit of cloaths for jamey another Robt and another for David and a coat for Alexr and two pair of breeches for me all of Fustin and a jacoat for me the fore parts of worsted and wool the same of my Surtute and I Owe for the wholl of the work to Mr Perkins

8th In the afternoon I went to the falls and Hacket and Macmurphy and I got 15 shad and McMurphy gave me his 5 that I got 10 home with me and had ½ a bowle of Tody at McGregores for which I paid half a Dollar

9th I went according to Agreement with Mr Rogers in Goffestown to Assist the Bondsmen and the Guardians of john Smiths Estate and children to Settle the Estate and the Guardians Recd it wholy into their hands and the Guardians paid me 30/ for my day and 1¼ of a Dollar for my Expences and I got home about midnight

10th David went to Col Moors Mill and brot home the Meal of the Grain Bob took there the 8th being 12½ bushell of Rie and 4 of Indian corn

11th Bob set out for Newboston for to bring home a Loom that Susey got Ensn Gregg to make for her

12 & 13th I fished att the falls and on the 13th Bob got home with the Loom

15th Bob went to Col Moors mill with near eleven bushell of Rie and about 3½ of Indian & got it ground being all the grain we have and I went to the falls and got 28 shad

16th I got 18 shad and I fished Eels the night following and followed fishing Eels untill the 20th after sunsett in which time the boys and I sent hom 700 Eels and Sold 108 (viz) 20 to james MacAllester 10 to jacob McQuade 20 to David Moor and 58 to Stephen French on the 18th we got 4 salmon at our seting place and the night following Bob & David got above 100 eels at the seting place part of the above number

22d & 23d we got 76 Eels 40 I sold to john Riddel 4 I borrowed of the company that we got 40 home my Expences at MacGregores was 32/ and at Karrs 5/ & 3/ to Alexr MacMurphy

24th I attended at the Probate court at Amherst we took the proof of one will and 2 inventories returned the Register took them fees and I kept what Fees I Recd of David Starett my Expences was a Dollar

Last week I had a peck of Salt from Esqr MacGregore for which I paid him 21/

25th I went to the falls and got 15 Eells in the afternoon and the night following and Bob got as many

26th we came home with the Cannoe and our things and the 30 eells and we let Stephen French have them which makes 88 eells that he has had from us in the whole

27th I Recd from Doctr Cutler 4/ for the writings I did between him and Ensn Chubbock and Levi Whitman and 3/ for his part of some writings between him and Col Moor

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JUNE 27 1778

28th Mr Brick preached in Bedford

29th I went to Esqr MacGregores and got a Fly net from him and we hauled and got a salmon of about 8 £ weight and McLaughlin and I had it and I had two Glasses of Rum at McGregores for which I paid 3/

30th I spent the day with Mr Martin a mending the nett I got yesterday and trying to catch Salmon we got one of 9 or 10 £ and Martin had it

JULY FIRST

I went at William Wallaces desire to MacGaws to give Evidence in a Case between him and Capt Chamberlins sons for not Training and there was no justice to try the case and I came home in the Evening and I filled a Deed of Daniell Marrs place to his son james

2d I went to Marrss in Goffestown and took the acknowledgements of the Deed I writ yesterday and the minuts to draw a Bond from james to his father I charged a bushell of corn or the Value james paid me two Dollars and a pound of Flax which he said was Equal to the price of a bushell of corn and I got some Cabage plants at Lieut Voses and the afternoon I went to McGaws at William Wallaces desire and gave Evidence in the case between him and Capt Chamberlins sons joseph and got home about the moon setting

3d I went to William Caldwells and took a plan of the highway at the East end of his land and down to Merrymac line and that by his house to the north side of his land

4th I finished the plan of the highways that I was on yesterday for William Caldwell and the afternoon I went to Chandlers and took james Mathies wife and Benjn Baxters and Hugh Mathies Depositions for john Wallace junr in his case with William Caldwell and I took james Caldwells and Hugh Orrs Depositions for William Caldwell in his case with the town I Recd no pay from either of them for my services

6th I took our Suseys Deposition for Wm Caldwell at our house in his case with john Wallace and I helped to hang what was made of the Fly nett

7th I went to Amherst at Wm Caldwells Desire to be an Evidence at the Inferiour Court in his case with the town which case was decided on Thursday at Evening the 9th so late that I could not come home

10th Col Goffe and Esqr Little of Goffestown and I held a court at Amherst on old joseph Steele for a breech of the peace on james Hartshorn we judged him Guilty and fined him 20/ and I paid it to the Treasurer Wm Caldwell promised to pay Expence while I was detaind on his case which was till Saterday my Dinner and ½ a bowle of brandy tody I had on Saterday I paid 6/6 for I paid 7/ at Hildreths and Lovejoys while on Caldwells Affair I Recd 6/ on some Probate business and 12/ from Major Putnam for swearing six witnesses and certifying them while I was at Amherst this week and I came home in the Evening

13th we set up Suseys new Loom and moved the old one to the back part

of the Cellar & my wife paid Margaret Patten 5 Dollars toward her weaveing her fine web

14th I got ½ a bushel of Salt at Esqr Blodgets for us I paid his Daughter Betsey 7 Dollars

Between this and the 20th I workt at makeing a long body for my Cart

20th In the afternoon I went to McGaws to hear the Tryal of Capt Chamberlins sons before Esq Underwood the Compt become Non suit and they were taken by New wart signed by Col Goffe and tryed by him he judged them Guilty signed them 20/ each they prayed an appeal but he denied them my Expences was 2/6 I got home the latter part of the night And we got a washing Tub from old Ensn Chubbock of Which I have paid 8/ by writings the Inventory of Colens Eaton and Ezra Mirick estate were Returned the fees paid 18/

21st Abraham Moors paid me a Dollar for Guardianship for Mary Moors the 16th of last Decbr and 3/6 of 4/ he borrowed of me to pay for a Ticket

23d Isaac Huston made a new Crank for my wifes foot wheel for which he charged 4/ I had no money with me to pay him but promised to pay him the first oppertunity

24th Chubbock made a new shoe of my Iron and Set it and the other three the nails were of my Iron and I went to Samll McFarlands and john Craigs to try to get my Calves pastured

25th I and Alexr took our three Calves to Samll McFarlands to pasture

27th Bob and David went and began to Mow in the Little meadow and I went up in the afternoon on acct of Deacon Moors mowing the Governor lott he carried the hay of and we Raked and cocked 19 cocks of what the boys mowed in the forenoon

28th I went and brot home a jag in the forenoon and it began to drop some Rain before we had done loading and it Rained a considerable shower as I came home and it such another shower in afternoon and the boys left of mowing and came home

29th I attended the Probate Court at Amherst my part of the fees with some business the Register did came to 37/8 he paid me 40/ and I could not give him the change The Inventorys that were returned to me the 20th I forgot to carry with me and the pay not settled between the Regr and me and a comeing home I Recd the Adminr acct of Uriah Wright on his fathers Estate he paid me 24/

30th I brot home a load of hay from the little meadow and we began to Reap our Rie in the field before the house

31st I brot home another load of hay which is all we have mowed at the little meadow and we Reaped 16 Stooks yesterday and to Day

AUGUST FIRST

Stephen French helped us Reap and I got a quart of Rum from Chandler for which I paid 9/

3d Stephen French helped us Reap and our jamey we finished the field before the house the forenoon and got it all in we have 41 Stooks on it and I got a quart of Rum from Chandler for which I pd 9/ and it came up a

thunder Shower that we Reaped only five sheaves before it came on and French went home

5th Stephen French helped us Reap the afternoon

7th Stephen French took our Spring Rie to Reap for the seed There was 2 Bushell sowed of it

8th the Boys and I finished Reaping our Winter Rie before Breakfast we have 52 Stooks in the upper field makes 94 stooks of winter Rie in all and Frenches Boy finished Reaping the Spring Rie a little after Dinner there was 12½ Stooks of it and I had a Glass of Rum and two brass thimbles at MacGregores for which I paid 2/ and I owe 2 pence of it yesterday I had 2 quarts of rum from Zech Chandler on credit except one shilling and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for Amaziah Polard charged 3/ unpd

9th I went to Amherst with jamey who was going to Rhod Island with the Militia there was orders from the Comtee of Safty of this state for as many of the Militia to go as Volunteers as pleased There was 152 Exclusive of Officers went out of Col Moors Regiment my Expences was 12/

12th I set out for Exeter to attend the General Court and attended untill the 22d including both days my wages and Travil came to 15-10-8 I did not Receive it there was not money in the Treasury my Expences at Capt Leavits was 3-10-0 I had not money to pay it to Mr Smith for horse keeping 7/6 at the Taverns on the road &c 17/3 I have not at the writing of this Settled with my bror Samll of what he owed out I may owe him some I bot an Ivory comb for which I pd 10/ and I pd 12/ for the Copy of Governor Wentworths Deed to Deacon Moor of the Meadow lot no 70 in Bedford

23d Mr Allen preached in Bedford

24th james Cairns Come and Signed a Deed to james Pattorson of the land he bot at Vendue and 3 Deeds to Asa Barns and one to Elisha Lincoln and I took the acknowledgements of them and he signed two Deeds to me of lands I had bot and Col: Goffe took the acknowledgements of mine who was here to get acct of lotts in Goffestown

25th I brot a small jag of hay from the little meadow it was very warm

26th David and Alexr went and brot home a load of hay from the little Meadow being the last we have had 12 jag there this year I Went to Amherst to Probate court there was no business but one Inventory Returned my Expences was 3/6 I got 3/ for takeing the acknowledgement of a Deed and I paid Mr Woodbury 3/ for mending one of james and one of Bobs buckles and I got one of the hats from Mr Kimbal that he was makeing for our boys I did not pay for the makeing and I paid Mr William King a dollar that his Bro George sent him for his service about paying Col: Atkinsons tax in Antrim and Lindborough

28th we finished mowing in the meadow at home

29th we sent our old Oxen and the three 2 years old and the yearlin to the little meadow and it we Raked up our hay and it came on Rain in the night following

30th Mr Allen preached in Bedford

31st Continued dull Weather

SEPTEMBER FIRST

we Carted the hay out of the meadow and Spread it on the Rie Stuble

2d we began to cut Stalks and got our hay dry and cocked and I writ a Deed from Wm Woodburn to my bror Samll of no 5 in the 11th Rang and I took the acknowledgement Woodburn paid me 3/ for drawing the deed and my wife and poly and jean Striped leaves of the corn Stalks

3d we carted in the last of our hay and then I cut Stalks and my wife and Betsey and poly and David and Alexr workt at Striping Stalks

4th the Striped a while in the forenoon and in the afternoon we took part of the stalks to the mill at Major Goffes and ground them one over we had almost 3 pail ful of juce

5th we took the Remainder of the Striped Stalks to the mill and ground them all twice over we got in all about half a barrel of juce or a little more we had 10 Quarts of Molasses when it was boiled off

7th I cutt stalks the forenoon and the Boys cut all day and the afternoon Col Goffe sent for me to assist him in Determining a Case between Lieut Little and Wm Palmer james Moor and james Eaton for an Assault and Battery we fined Palmer Guilty and Aquited Moor and Eaton & Palmer appealed

8th I went to Mr Benjn Hartshorns and Run lines for him and as I was going I stoped at Mr Caldwells and Drawed a Deed from Gan Riddell to Col Moor of a lott in the Great Meadow and took the acknowledgement Riddel paid me a Dollar for his part Moors part to be settled for and I lodged at Mr Hartshorns he did not pay me

9th I Run lines for Thos Vickere Robt Ushar and one Bailey they paid me 35/ for my service and I came home it looked much like foul weather David & Alexr workt at cuting and binding Stalks

10th I gave Mrs Chandler 11/ to pay the Post for a 2d 3 months of the Worcester paper and I paid her 8/ toward Rum I owed them since last Reaping time I sent my bror Samll to Amherst to Examin the Records Concerning Col Lutwyches Estate he returned about 10 or 11 o Clock at night and we finished cuting our Stalks

11th I set out for Exeter to the Comtee of Safty and got in about Sun set and lodged at Capt Leavits

12th I layed the matter of Col Lutwyches Estate before the Comtee after a great deal of discourse on the affair they came to conclusion by a majority to Give an order to Seize the Estate and they appointed Col: Nichols Esqr Underwood and Major Chase to Seize take an Inventory of the State both Real and personal and I paid Eliph Hales wife for him 8½ Dollars being the remainder of the price of a Side of sole leather I had from him In Octr last and I paid my landlady Mrs Leavit 3-10-0 for my board in Augt Session of the General Court and I bot 6 £ of shugar and ½ £ of Tea for which I paid 3-6-0 I Recd 17-6-0 for my wages at May and Augt Sessions and I came to Esqr Sanburns and lodged there

13th I came home my expences was 37/2

14th I went to Amherst to Col Nichols with the order of the Comtee

16th I got ¾ £ of snuff and 3 Glass Bottles at Burns for which I paid

18/ and I got a Gallon of Vinigar from Zechariah Chandler for which I paid 6/ & I writ part of Daniell MacMillans Will

17th I finished drawing MacMillans Will and I drawed an Admr Acct on john Smiths Estate late of Goffestown for the Bondsmen a Rainey day

18th when we Rise in the morning we found the East Side wall of our Cellar Burst inward and had to dig away on the outside and take out the stones and then Build the wall Anew I carted home some more stones and james and David workt at the wall

19th They finished building the Cellar Wall and in the afternoon I attended at Chandlers on Col Moors desire to decide a Case but the Wart was not served

21st I at the Selectmens desire went along them and William Thornton to veiw the road in dispute between William Caldwell and the town

22d I cleaned up allmost two bushell of Rie and I took it and ½ a bushell of Indian corn that Wm Caldwell sent by Susey to Lt Littles mill and got it ground and Lt Moor Butchered a two year old steer for us he weighed 174 £ of Beaf and 29 £ of hide and a little before night I went to Chandlers where Mr Houston had Goffestown Comtee of Safety in order to have them take off the Restriction he was laid under by the Comites of three Towns he was layd under in 1775 there was nothing done I got home about midnight

23d Mr Merril preached a Sermon in Bedford Introductory to holding a Presbty for the Tryal of Mr Houston on the Charge brot against him by the town he had not been served with a Copy of this charge 10 free days before the time of Tryal according to the Rules of the Church of Scotland and he would not give up the advantage he had got and come to Trial

24th I assisted the Selectmen and Comte of Safety and Drawed a Petition to the Comte of safety of the State against Mr Houstons takeing the Oath of fidelity to the State and I took james Heldreths Deposition for Wm Caldwell against the town

25th I Run the North side line of Amos Gardners land for which he is to make me 2 1½ Bushell Baskets and sent my old Oxen to john Craigs in Goffestown to Pasture by David and I gave john Riddel a Summons in his and his fathers case with Col: Moor for which he paid me a Dollar

26th Col Goffe and I tryed two cases for Col Moor against Gaun Riddel and his son john they were judged Guilty they throwed themselves on the mercy of the Court before judgment they were fined 10/ each

27th Mr Miltimer preached in Bedford

29th I went to Amherst to attend the Superiour Court and Evidence in the case of Wm Caldwell & the town

30th I did the business of the Probate being Probate day I did as much as the whole fees amounted to 6-10-0 the Register could not assist me

OCTOBER FIRST

I granted guardianship for 4 children of Wm Fisks the fees 48/ and I coppyed Mr Wilson of Merrymac Will

2d I coppyd Deacon Walkers Will and afixed the letters Testamentry to it in the forenoon and the afternoon I heard Doctr Goves Trial for passing

Counterfit money the jury found him Guilty of seven articles in the Indictment

3d I came home Wm Caldwell bore my Expences

5th I went to Col: Moors mill and took 2 bushell of Rie and had it ground I had the Toal

6th I went by order of the Sessions to plan the Road from McClearys mill to Wm Hoggs we had not the Order and Did not do it and I came to David McClearys and Writ a Deed from him to Abiel Stevens of his place I charged four Dollars and his son Wm McCleary paid me the money

7th I went and planed the Road from McCleary Mill to Hoggs and back by Mr Parkers to the top of the hill west of Capt Barrons and I got a bushell of new Indian corn ground at Col: Moors mill

8 9 & 10th worked at Indian harvest very warm day

11th an Exceeding cold N: E: Storm of Rain

12th a very clear pleasant day & in the Evening I mett the Selectmen and Some others to conclude what Evidences to take concerning Mr Houston to go to Exeter my expences was 4/ we got in some corn

13th I went to Col: Moors and I got 2 bushell of Rie and one of Indian ground and I gave jona Fisk a License to sell of his fathers Estate for which he paid me 9/

14th I went to Samuell Moors and took his and his wifes acknowledgement of Lincolns Deed for which I charged him 9/ and I Run the line between Lincoln and john Wallace I charged the price of a bushell of corn Lincoln let me have a Bushell Basket for his half of it and I gave Wallace the other half of it and I got a Bushell Basket from Amos Gardner for which I paid him 11/4

17th I took 2 bushell of Indian corn and a bushell of Rie to Col: Moors Mill and got it ground

19th Esqr Underwood attended at Chandlers at the desire of Selectmen and Comtee of Safty and took a number of Depositions to go to Exeter against Mr Houston and I attended there but did not assist and I writ two Deeds one from Col: Moor the other from Col: Goffe both to john Gardner I charged Gardner a Dollar apeice for the acknowledgement to be paid me ½ Dollar and the other ½ Dollar he owes yet

20th I spent the day at Chandlers about takeing depositions about Mr Houstons being a Tory and Col: Moor and I gave our depositions about his offering to Swear to a falsehood in the year 1766 and I paid my State Tax to Major Goffe

21st I got a pair of shoes that William Kennedy made for me the Stuff all mine and Shed made two new shoes and put a peice on the toe of another and Set the three the Iron of the Shoes was mine the Nail Stuff and the peice on the toe was his

22d I set out in company with Thos Boies for Exeter with the Depositions the town took on the 19th and 20th Instant against Mr Houston and we lodged at Towles

23d we arrived in Exeter to Breakfast had the hearing before the Comtee of Safty in the afternoon they did not determin that night

24th The comtee agreed to have Mr Houston draw up his acknowledge-

ment which he did on which they admitted him to Swear the Oath of Fidelity and Boies and I came home and the Comtee allowed us to bring the Depositions home with us our Expences (exclusive of our provender which we carried of our own) was 4–3–0 Boies paid 2–2–0 and I paid 2–1–0 I was very much out of case I got a moderate Sweat the night following by which means I got some better

25th I lay allmost all day and Sweat the night following

26th I went with Mr job Holebrook of woodstock and showed him his lotts in Bedford viz no 9 in the 3d Rang and 10 in the 2d I charged him nothing for it and he paid me 48/ to pay the Tax and charge for last year on no 10 in the 2d Rang of which I had bot a part att the Vendue and I gave up my purchas I had not taken a Deed of what I purchased tho there was one writ Ready for signing

27th I shelled some corn and Bob went to Col: Moors mill and took 3 bushell of Indian corn with him and got it Ground

28th I attended the Probate at Amherst I Recd 30/ and the Regr Recd 72/ my Expences was 12/ and I paid 6/ to Alex MacNeil of jaffrey for my Neighbour Nathan Shed

29th I set out for Exeter to Attend the General Court and attended untill the 22d of November Inclusive being 25 days when my wife sent David for me and on the 23d I came home and at Chester I Recd 21 £ of the price of my Sparked ox that the Boys sold to Thos Shirley and there Remains 27 £ of his price yet to be paid and while I was there I bot as many articles as came to 37/5 my Expences was 37/6 Over what I was at my lodging at Capt Leavits which I did not Settle when I came home my wife sent David for me Susanna and jane was supposed to be dangerously ill with the Bloody flux

NOVEMBER

24th I granted a License to Mary Walingford to sell land in the County of Hillsboro of her late husbands Estate and got the fees being 30/ and I paid Zechariah Chandlers wife 6–5–0 being for a Note of 20 Dollars and 2/ Intrest and an Almanack

25th I went to Amherst to the Probate Court the Regr took the fees but how much they were I dont know and I got 7 jills of Wine and as much West India Rum and 3 £ of Shugar from Means for which I paid 3 £ and I got ½ £ of Tea from Robt Burns for which I paid him 33/ and I paid him 44/ for 2 £ of shugar and 3 pints of Rum and 3 ounces of peper our folks got from him while I was at Exeter

26th I paid Esqr McGregore 49/ for two Quarts of Rum and a pint of Wine our folks had while I was at Exeter and 3/6 for ½ a bowle of Tody today and I got a bushell of Indian Corn Ground at Samll Moors mill

27th I took a bushell of Indian corn to Col: Moors mill and got it Ground and I got 6 pound of shugar from Robt Burns and pd him 30/ for three pound of it and the other three I owe him for

28th I went to Thomas Boies for Patrick Larkin and writ a Bond and a lease for him he did not pay me nor did not Settle how much it should be I gave Capt Aiken the Copy of Deacon Walkers Will and letters testa-

mentary for which I charged him 30/ and I paid him 27/ which paid off for the side of Sole leather of 11/¾ £ I had from him the 14th of last May

29th Mr Allen preached in Bedford

30th A Snow Storm from the N: E: and I drawed a supplication and a notification for a Proprietors meeting of this town and a Copy to be posted up and in afternoon I went at Mr Wm Spooners desire to Chandlers and took the Proof of Mrs Lutwyches will the fees to be paid to the Register

NOVEMBER (DECEMBER?) 3d

I drawed the plan of the highway from McClearys Mill into the Road by Hoggs & from there to Round by Parkers to the top of the diged way between his house and Capt Barrons

4th I went to Col: Moors mill and took three bushell of Indian Corn and got it ground

5th I went to Col: Moors Mill took 1½ bushell of Indian corn about 3 quarts over 1½ of Rie and got it ground and I paid james Cairns four Dollars toward the land I bot at Vendue last May and I writ a Deed from Whitefield Gillmore and his wife and john Dunlap and his wife to Col: Moor of the meadow lott no 50 in the Great meadow

7th Was the meeting of Bedford and Merrymac to chuse a Representative at john Burns when Lieut John Orr was chosen to Represent the towns in the General Assembly john Dunlap and I had a mug of Tody and I paid 4/ for the half of it

8th I went to Col: Moors Mill and I took 1½ bushell of Corn and as much Rie and got it ground and I got the Rie Bolted

9th I went to Samll Moors Mill for Nathan Shed and got 2 bushell of corn and a bushell of Rie ground for him of his Grain

10th WAS THE GENERAL THANKSGIVEING THROUGH THE STATE it began to Snow in the afternoon and snowed untill the next day the Son an hour or two high in which time it fell 16 inches deep

11th we broke out over the Causeway and got home a little wood and I got 7 jills of Rum from Chandler for which I paid 12/

12th we got home 3 small jags of wood

14th Col: Goffe sent for me to Chandlers and I went and while I was there I writ a Deed from james McAllester to his Bror William of the place that was his fathers and a Release from his father to him of a lease he had of half of the place from james and I took the acknowledgement of the Deed for which Wm paid me 3 Dollars

15th I went to Lieut john Orrs and gave him an order to draw my wages at the last Session of the General Court and orders to pay my board to Old Mrs Leavit and the Remainder of two Quarts of Mustard seed I had from Deacon Knowls of which I had paid him two Dollars before

16th Shed upset an Ax for me that was our johns that had lain at Alexander McMurphys since the winter before our War began till about a fortnight ago and the Boys got some wood

17th was a Rainy day and I finished the plan of the Road from McClearys Mill to Hoggs

18th David took the coal of his Tar Kiln to Shed there was 30 bushill of them and we brot home a load of wood

19th james and our 4 Cattle helped james Houston to Move his Shop from Bells to his new house

21st I went Litchfield to Esqr Clagets and he filled a Writ for me against Deacon Moor and his two Sons james and Wiliam for their Mowing and carrieing away the hay of the Governor lott in the Little Meadow the 27th of last july and he would take fees untill he see how I made out at the final Trial

22d David brot home the Calf from Samuell MacFarlands I took it there the 25th of july last I took 3 there then and one was drowned the next day the other I gave him the one that was drowned and that I gave him were Stears the one I have is a heifer

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM DECEMBER 22d 1778

23d I got a side of Sole leather from Stephen French of 18½ £ and a large side of upper leather to be settled in our acct and my wife was taken out of Case and I got a pint of Rum at Chandlers for which I paid him 7/

25th I went to Col: Moors mill and I took 1½ bushell of Rie and as much Indian corn and got it ground

28th I went to Esqr MacGregores at David Sterrats desire and Vendued one 100 acres of land in Dunbarton that belonged to Elizabeth Messey Sterret sold it as Guardian for her it was Struck of to john Dickey for a 1003 Dollars and afterward one Woodbury and Garvin got it from Dickey and Starret gave them a Deed and Garvin paid me 6/ for takeing the acknowledgement and we finished at the moon Setting and I staid at McGregores the Remainder of the night I was much fategued with the affair and the want of sleep I left it to Sterrat to give me what he pleased for my trouble and he did not give me anything nor say what he would

29th I came home and brot three bushell of grain unground from Samll Moors mill that I took there yesterday by Reason that he could not get her to go she was so froze and the boys killed our two hogs and I borrowed a peck of French Salt of my bror Samll to Salt them

30th WAS A CONTINENTAL THANKSGIVEING BY ORDER OF CONGRESS and I got a copy of the plan of government from my bror and I copyd a considerable part of it

31st I finished Copying the plan of Government and Shed made nails to set the shoes on my horse and sharpened the toes and heels of three of the Shoes the nail iron was mine

JANUARY FIRST 1779

Shed sett the four shoes on my horse and I went to Col: Moors mill and 1½ bushell of Rie and as much Indian ground and I got ½ £ of Tobacca and 12 Rows of Pins at Burns for which I paid 14/ and I owe 2/ yet of the price and I had a jill of Rum at Lieut Smiths for which I paid 3/ and Lieut Orr had drawed my wages for the last Session being 39-10-0 as he said out of which he paid my landlady Leavit 15-9-0 and to Deacon Knowls 6/ being the Remainder of two quarts of mustard seed I had from

him and he paid me the ballance being 23–15–0 and I paid David Houston 9/ for his being an Evidence in Col : Moors Case against Gan Riddel

4th I settled with old Ensn Chubbuck for what work he did for us and what I did for him and a bushell of Turnips I am to let him have and I fell 28/6 in his debt and I paid him 30/ and he could not give me the change and I writ Two Deeds from Nathan Shed one of them was to Stephen French of the west end of his lott the other was to Ensn Chubbuck of the easterly half of his lott and a Deed from French to james Martin of ½ an acre of Frenches half where the house and Shop stands Shed is to pay for one deed and french is to pay for another and Martin and Chubbuck is to pay for the other

5th I got ½ £ of Tea and a pound of Coffee from Robt Burns mother for which I paid her 48/ and I paid her 30/ that I owed Robt for 3 £ of Shugar which I had from him the 27th of last Novbr and 2/ that I owed by a wrong cast of some pins I had there the 1st Instant and I paid Majr Goffe the Remainder of my Rates for the last year being 4–10–8

7th I went to Amherst and attended the Sessions 3 days my Expences was 3 £ and I got a pound of Tobacca from Robt Means for which I paid a Dollar and I drawed a Recognizance of Wm Caldwell about the highway and I got no pay for it

11th I went to look about to get some logs on the common in Goffestown and found some

12th I got my brors Samll and my james and I went and we fell 30 trees on the common north of Samll Moors mill and I Recd 24/ from Stephen Tuttle for writings I did for him in April 1776 and I had a Bowle of tody at Chandlers for which I paid 8/ and I froze both my great toes

13th I writ 2 deeds for Zach Chandler one to john Wallace and the other to Esqr MacGregore and james got Thos Lancey and they cut 19 logs off of the trees we fell yesterday

14th I writ a power of attorney from Jannet Wallace and took the acknowledgement I charged the price of ½ a bushell of corn she is to pay it in Spining for my wife and I drawed a Complaint and warrant for Capt Ramseys son William against james Stinson and Samuel Allison of Dunbarton for an Assault and Battery

15th General Stark his Wife and son Archibald came to see us

16th we had a far out cossin came from Saco to see us and my Brors Samll 4 oxen and his son Samll helped us draw loggs off the common in Goffestown they drawed 15 to the River and on to Samll Moors mill and I paid Capt Elisha Woodbury 20 dollars being the last of all my john owed him

18th my james got Capt Maclaughlins john to help him cut logs on the common in Goffestown they cut 20 which was the last of the trees we fell the 12th there is 52 logs in all

19th an Exceeding cold morning no wind

22d our Boys hauled 9 logs to the River and one to the Mill and a Red oak cut for Slitwork from home to the Mill with our own team

23d the boys went and haled 3 logs to the River and it came on foul weather and they came home and I went to Col : Moors mill and I took 2

bushel of Indian corn and 1¼ of Rie the rie they Totled and the Indian I had the toal

25th a Stormy day of Hail and Rain

26th I went to Mr Merrils to see about Swaping Oxen I had ½ a mug of Tody at Esqr Macgregores for which I paid 5/

27th I went to Amherst and attended the Probate Court and the Regr and I settled for what fees we had severally Recd since our last settlement which was at last August Probate and I fell four pounds in his debt or more than my share and I lodged at Mr Smiths

28th I went to Mr Abbots and got 4 £ of Tobacca for which I paid 36/ and I came home my Expences was 30/

FEBRUARY FIRST

I writ a Deed and took the acknowledgement for Alexr McCalley junr of Merrymac I charged 4 Dollars he could not pay me and I went to Col: Moors mill and took two bushell of corn with me and got it ground

2d we had Martins four Oxen helping us log over Piscataquog we hauled in ten to the River a very warm thawey day

4th we got a little wood and jamey went and cut some logs over Piscataquog

5th I went to Col: Moors mill and I took two bushell of Rie and as much corn and got it ground and I got ¼ £ of peper and a mug and half a bowle of Tody at Burns for which I paid 16/

6th I writ a Bond from Alexr McColley junr of Merrymac to his Father for his maintence

10th I writ two Deeds from Stephen French the one to james Martin and the other to john Gordon both of part of the lott that French had of my Bror by Deacon Littles I know not how they are to be paid it was a warm pleasant thawey day

12th we hauled ten logs above Samll Moors mill to the River with our own Team

13th the boys went and hauled in two logs to Samll Moors mill pond which finished what we had there we have 64 to go there in all 3 of which we hauled to his Mill

15th the boys went to cut Red oak for slit work on Nathll Pattersons land west of Orrs mill and I went and fell a pine tree on the Meeting house hill and I went to Col: Moors and I writ a Deed of his place to Stephen and Silas Dole and I lodged there over night

16th I did the other writings between them and I writ a deed from Col: Moor to Robert Alexander and I took the acknowledgement and I took the acknowledgement of the Deed to Doles for which they pd me 12/ and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for Thomas English for which he promised to pay me 12/ and I went to Burns and I got 2 £ of shugar ½ £ of Tea and 2 Glass bottles on credit

17th I shelled 2 bushell of Indian corn and I filled an Adminr Bond Letters of Adminr and an apprize Wart for a woman blonging to Dunbarton on her first husbands Estate and she did not let me know that she was

Married again untill I filled them I charged her 15/ and james Hogg who came with her paid me the money

18th I went to Col: Moors mill and took two bushell of Rie and as much corn and had it Ground and james and David hauled in conjunction with Nathll Patterson red oak logs to Orrs mill for studs and Braces and one cut for Pattersons Barr for Ribs and I went Chandlers and took the proof of Robert Gillmores Will the Executors hadnt money to pay the fees

19th I shelled 2 bushell of corn

20th I fell one pine tree southeast of the meeting house hill it made three logs I cutt two off and james cut one and I cutt of four Logs off of a tree I fell on the hill before and james cleaned about 6 bushell of Rie and David and Alex got wood

22d We went and Nathll Patterson helped us and we haled two cuts for studs and one for Braces to Orrs mill of his land and we brot 78 feet of plank for him to the corner of our old field 33 feet of them was three inch plank

23d we went and halled one log from the meeting house hill to the Oak land between and Orrs mill and we hauled three more and layd them down at the crossing of the Road this side the Graveyard

24th I went to Amherst to the Probate Court and came home in the night my Expences was 20/ the Regr and I did not Settle he gave me 30/ of the fees

26th the boys (viz) james and David went out to prepare for makeing shugar where we made last spring

27th james Cut between his ancle and Instep a bad cut and came home and my brors Samll and john and I with both our Teams together hauled 2 butt logs that I Cut to Orrs mill and we brot 149 feet of oak plank for Nathaniel Patterson as far as the crotch of the Road between and Caldwells

MARCH 2d

David and I went out to our shugar works and staid there the night following and james and Alex brot Kittles and things to Samll Turrils

3d we came down and Alexr came up and we took up the great Kittle and tubs and pails up by hand sley and by hand a very fateagueing Job

4th David and Alexr brot up the Remainder of the things on the Sley yesterday we got 8 or 9 pail fulls of sap and today 11 pail fulls we boiled into Shugar we had I supposs about 9 £ of Shugar

5th we came home it was very snowey day

6th james Campbell and Adam Dunlap finished makeing Shoes at our house they have made 13 pair for which they charged 13 £ and james paid them 40/ and Susanna as much that there Remained 9 £ which I owe them and I went out to our Shugar works and Emptied the troughs and I gathered 13 pails full of sap 11 pails of it was clashed with the Snow and I came from there after dark

8th I granted Administration on the Estate of Thomas Perrin to his Widow Susanna she paid me 30/ and I spent whole night at Esqr Macgregores on Wm Ramsey and Samuell Allisons and james Stinsons case

they left it Col: Kelley Esqr MacGregore and Lt Sawyer the judged Stinson to pay the cost and aquited Allison my fees was 22/ Ramsey pd me 24/ and would not take any change and I got home between Daybreak and Sun Rise

9th I went out to the shugar works to David and Alexr

10th David came home and I staid with Alexr untill the 13th when Alexr and I came home we shugared of 20 £ this week we had made 8 or 9 £ before

15th Alexr and I went out to make shugar we Boiled of about 11 or 12 pails full of sap

16th we shugared it of we had about 7½ £ of shugar the weather was very cold and appeared to continue so and we came home since I went a shugaring last week james and David got the Slit work stuff into Orrs mill and had got home 45 sticks for Studs and 36 sticks for Braces

17th james and I went to Orrs mill and we got john McLaughlins james and his oxen to help us and we brot home 50 sticks for studs which made allmost half the stuff that Nathll Patterson and us got for Studs and Braces there will be a few more Braces comeing to me of the half

18th james went to Cut a Red Oak on Nathll Pattersons land that he offered me yesterday But he cut it yesterday himself

19th & 20th we hauled in 5 logs to Wallaces mill for Slit work

22d a very heavy Snow Storm out of the North East

23d David and went out to our Shugar works we gathered 11 pails of ice and snow and Sap we had 4 £ of shugar of it

24th came about 9 or 10 o Clock an Exceeding Storm of Snow from the N: E: it fell upward of a foot deep and james took 6 bushell of Indian corn and as much Rie with a team to Col: Moors mill and had it ground

25th David and I came home very great fategue it snowed some all day the snow is 3 feet and 10 inches deep and some places 4 feet the 3 last snows that fell is 26 inches deep

26th james went to Col: Moors mill with Team and took 4 bushell of Indian corn and as much Rie and had it Ground and David and Alexr went out to our shugar works

27th james went to Col: Moors Mill with a team and took 5½ Bushell of Indian corn and 7 Bushell of Rie with him and had it Ground and I went to Burns and I got a pound of Coffee for which I paid him 18/ and I got a pound Tobacca from him and I took the acknowledgement of a power of attorney for him and I would not take anything for it and he would not take any pay for the Tobacca

29th I went out to our shugar works and Boiled what the boys gathered the 27th being 8 pails full and I got 8 today which produced about 7 £ of shugar

30th I gathered 8 pails full of Sap and came home and the Boys got wood these two days

31st I was so much much fategued and out of case that I could not go to Amherst to attend the Probate Court and james and David took a stick to wallaces mill to be Sawed for to make a short Body for our Cart and David and Alexr went out in the after noon to our shugar works

APRIL

1st james went with our Oxen and helped Col: Moor to move his Goods to the River and I went and accompanied him to the River

2d I went out to our Shugar works in the afternoon and james was out before me and had gathered 6 pails of Sap and was boiling when I got there

3d I boiled what sap we got since tuesday morning into Shugar there was 9½ £ of it David and Alexr had boiled 13 pails of it before and I shugared that and what we boiled all together

5th I Borrowed 50 Dollars from Wm Caldwell

6th I went to Amherst to the Inferiour Court and I entered my case against Deacon Moor and his Sons

7th I gave up the case and the afternoon I went to our Shugar works and lay there the night following

8th I came to Amherst and attended the Sessions and was an Evidence in Wm Caldwells case (vs) Bedford on an Indictment against Caldwell last Octr Court

9th I attended the Sessions and I came home in the Evening and while I was there I paid 6–1–0 fees in my case with Deacon Moor and my Expences was 5–3–0 and I paid Mr Woodbury 6/ for mending james Buckle some time ago and I bot 2 £ of tobacca from Doctor Stevens for which I paid 15/ and Thos Boies and james Vose lost it in carrieing it for me from Amherst

10th I went with the Horse and Karr and brot home part of our things from our shugar works

12th was in the afternoon and Evening following a considerable Rain

13th my wife and I went and paid a Visit to William Caldwell before his moveing away

15th james and our 4 Oxen and Cart went to Goffestown with Wm Caldwell to help him to Move and I went and I went and see him set off and joseph Farmer Gelded 2 Boars and spead a Sow for me for which I paid him two Dollars and I Granted administration on Samll Ordways Estate to his widow Lydia fees paid 52/3

16th I gave john Henry of Merrymac a Wart to have his mothers third set off and another to have the Estate divided or apprized in order for a settlement he paid 30/ fees for both Warts and I took three jackknif handles to Mr Holt to have blades made for them and I got a pound of Tobacca at Burns for which I paid 9/

20th james and I went to our Shugar works there had been a Cold snap of weather which made us think the Sap would run

21st yesterday and today we got about 30 pails of Sap and boiled it into about 1½ pails and we came home

22d David and I went out and we got about 9 pails of sap and we boiled in of what james and I got

23d I tryed to Shugar the Sap but it would not Shugar and we came home

24th I Divided Sheds farm between Stephen French and old Ensn Chub-

buck French promised to pay me and I went to Thos Townsends to divide his farm and he was away from home and it could not be done and I came home

25th Mr Wheeler preached in Bedford he came her the 22d by Recommendation from my friend Robt Patten of Biddeford

26th I went to Mr Holts and got the knives I carried there the 16th Instant and I took another handle today and Got a blade put in it and for it and the other three I paid Mr Buton 30/ and I got a Glass of Rum put into water at Mr Holts for which I paid 2/6

27th I went with the Horse and Karr and brot home the Remainder of our things from our shugar works

28th I went to Amherst and attended the Probate court the Regr and I settled for the fees that we had Recd both together and apart since our last settlement the Regr Recd all the fees today which made us Even and I lodged at Smiths I got ½ an Ounce of snuff and 3 £ of Tobacca from Dr Stevens for which I paid 23/

29th WAS THE STATE FAST and I came home my Expenes was 50/ and Mr Wheeler preached in Bedford

30th I split some pine wood

MAY FIRST

I Run the lines of the home lotts in Capt Barrons Estate which was laid off to his son Silas for jonathan Wood Being no 29 30 and 31 for which he paid me 4-8-0 and I went to Rogers in Goffstown and I got two pound of Coffee and 2 ounces of Tea for which I paid 2-8-0 and they abated me 1/6 of price and I had ½ a bowle of Tody and they would not take any pay for it and they gave me a Glass of Brandy

3d I Run lines for Benjn Sprague of this town he was not at home but he has Engaged his bror in Law Asa Barns to attend in his Stead which he did I Recd no pay my charge is 6 £

4th in the afternoon I split some pine wood

5th I went to Amherst to the Sessions and I Bot 8 £ of Tobacca from Docr Stevens for which I paid 56/ my Expences was 9/ and I came home by night

6th WAS A CONTINENTAL FAST BY ORDER OF THE CONGRESS

7th I went and Run lines for Deacon Nichols and Oliver Roby in Merrymac for which they paid me 3 £ each and Roby paid me ½ a dollar that he owed me since this time two year and I lodged at Deacon Nichols son and Thomas Shirley paid my wife 92 Dollars the Remainder of the Ox

8th I Run lines for Aaron Gage and Mr Mirrick and Alexr McCalley junr and old Mr Gage for which Aron Gage paid me 12 Dollars and McColley 8 and Mr Gage paid me 4 Dollars for a Deed and the acknowledgement which I am to write and McCalley paid me 2 Dollars for my writing a deed and takeing the acknowledgement some years ago from his father to him and 4 Dollar for another deed this latter part of winter and 2 Dollars for a bond done at the time I writ the deed

10th I writ the Deed for Aaron Gage that he paid me for the 8th and I

went to Wm Caldwell and I paid the fifty Dollars to his wife that I borrowed from him at last April court time he was from home

11th I took the acknowledgement of the Deed that I writ for Aaron Gage yesterday and I split some pine wood

12th I split some more pine wood

13th I went to our shugar Camp and covered some fire steads with brush where we had Cabbage and french Turnip seed sowed to preserve them from the Cattle

14th I went to Benjn Hartshorns in Merrymac and got a bushell of Beans from him for my Runing lines for him the 8th of last September

15th I went and to jacob McGaws and left a thirty Dollar Bill (the date whereof was November 2d 1776 and the no 37827) with his wife for james Campbell and Adam Dunlap being what I owed them for their makeing shoes at my house last winter and yesterday and today I had a Gill and a half of Rum at Mr Holts for which I pd 6/9

17th I went to Mr Joseph Georges in Weare and got two bushell of salt by a token from Mr Nathaniel Holt of Merrymac who owns the salt for which I am to pay Mr Holt nine pounds pr bushell by agreement my Expenes was 2/6

18th we took our Cannoe and Nets to the falls in the Cart we catched 9 shad at our setting place and I got ½ a bushell of salt from Esqr Macgregore and 1½ bowle of Tody for which I paid him 15 Dollars and I paid him a Dollar over and got no change and we fished the Remainder of the week and got home 126 shad and a 20 £ salmon

24th being Monday we all went to the falls and we got home 63 shad this week and some Ells we sold some I think 100 amongst us on Tuesday

26th we let Stephen French have 60 Eels toward what I owe him

28th I went with Esquire Blanchard to Merrymac to Measure the land he sold to Mr Tarbell and on my way I paid Mrs Holt 15 Dollars being the Remainder of the price of the 2 bushell of salt I had at Mr Georges of him the 17th Instant 45/ Dollars of it I paid the week I got it by my boy

29th I came home Esqr Blanchard gave 27 dollars for my services I would not charge anything but he insisted he would not have it for nothing this week james got 1¼ of a bushell of corn for 25 shad

31st I got young Ensn Chubbuck to set four shoes on my horses feet and I gave him four Dollars and I went to the falls and got 32 Eells the night following I sold 8 for money and 23 I sold to Samuell Moor to be paid in sowing

JUNE FIRST

I got 32 Eels the night following

2d I came home in the Evening

3d 4th & 5th David and I was with james Cairns measuring off land that he sold for taxes for the year 1777 on the 3d I let him have 10 Dollars on the 4th I paid john Craig 9 Dollars being the Remainder of what I owed him for pastureing my Oxen last faul

7th I filled Deed of the land I bot of james Cairns of the lott no 8 in the 3d Rang and went to Esqr Littles and gott him to go to Cairns in New

boston and he took the acknowledgement of the Deed and I went to Amherst from there and gave the Deed to Col: Nichols at Mr Smiths about 9 o Clock in the Evening I had a jill of Rum at Esqr Littles and I could make change to pay him for it nor for his going to Cairns and I had 2 quarts of Oats at john McLaughlins and could not make change to pay for it my Expence at Mr Smiths was 15/ which I paid and I got home as day broke

8th I went to the falls in the afternoon and staied till the 10th when I came home and brot the Cannoe and Net poles With me in this week james and I got home 50 Eels and james lent james Patterson 12 Eels that he could not pay and I paid Esqr McGregore 33/ being the Remainder of what I owed him for my Expences this fish time my whole Expences this fish time that I paid in money was 3 £ 6/

11th I went to Mr Browns in Sunkook and I got nine Ounces of Indigo at 66/ and 2 £ of Coffee at 42/ from john Dobbyn and I paid him and he gave me a pound of Coffee

12th I paid Zechariah Chandler seven Dollars for james Cairns being toward the price of the land I bot at Vendue of him in May 1778 for the Tax for the year 1777 and I paid him 18/6 to give Mr Bean for the Worcester paper for the second three months he being overpaid 1/6 in the first three months

14th I went to the falls and fished for a salmon but got none

16th I Run Round the 3d Division lott no 65 and Divided it viz 20 acres of the west end to Benjn Robey and the Remainder to Eben Stinpson of Reading the lott was Capt William Barrons and had sold it to them and I writ the Deeds and took the acknowledgements I charged them 27 Dollars and they paid me the money in equal shares and I lodged at Capt Barrons

17th I Run lines for james Gibson Matthew Gibson Samuell Gibson Mr Foster and Thomas Wilson james and Matthew Gibson and Foster is to pay me 5 Dollar each and Willson 2½ Dollars and Samuell Gibson paid me his 2½ Dollars which several sums made my days wages and I came home and I paid Mr Holts wife 7 Dollars in Exchange for a 7 Dollar bill that Esqr Blanchard gave her for me on the 28th of last May it being of one of the Emissions that was Stopped passing and I had a Glass of Rum put into water which was 3/6 she owed me /6 and I gave her 2/6 and I owe her /6 yet

18th I got a quart of Rum at William Rogers for which I paid 38/ and I got 3 quarts of yellow dwarf Beans from james Gillmor and would not take any pay for them

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JUNE 18 1779

21st was a town meeting and a training which we all attended

22d the Boys and I went and Roled our logs into the River above Samuel Moors mill and got them to the boom in the Mill pond

23d we had Samll Moor and his hired man and his 4 oxen and john McIntoshes Oxen in the forenoon helping us to draw logs out of the Pond onto the ways we hauled out 25 one was to be cut in two and in the after-

noon the boys and I got the Rest of the logs to the landing being 35 in Number and secured them in a Boom

24th I went and Run lines for William Wallace and I lodged at his father Scobeys

25th I writ a Deed from joseph Scobey to Wm Wallace of the half of his place and a bond from Wallace to him of his working the place and Delivering the half of the produce and I took the acknowledgement of the deed and the Bond wallace gave me 20 Dollars for my service and I went to Robert Neasmiths and did two or three sets of my Compass for him he did not pay me I shall charge him 2½ Dollars

26th I went at Col: Moors Desire and Run the south side line of the lotts he bot of Capt Leigh in the sixth Rang and part of the North side line we were much pestered to find the line

27th was Sabathday and Mr Davidson preached in Bedford and we had our five youngest children baptised (viz) David Mary Alexander jean and Sarah who we would not have have Baptised with Mr Houston while he was Minister in Bedford

28th I Granted Administration on the Estate of Lieut jese Karr to his father Capt Karr the fees to be settled in our acct and I went to bring home to Cabbage and french Turnip plants from our Shugar Camp but the cattle had eat them all and I came to Samuell Turrils and I got a parcel of Cabbage and some french Turnips plants there

29th I went to Esqr McGregores and I bot an old Hoggshead of him for which I paid him 5 Dollars and I had I had a bowle of tody for which I paid 2 dollars and I paid Esquire Little a Dollar for half a bowle of Grog I had at his house the 7th Instant and offered to pay him for his going to Cairns in Newboston with me and takeing acknowledgement of a deed said day but he would not take any pay for it

30th I went to Amherst and attended the Probate my part of the fees was 64/ my Expences was 24/ I carried 2 Rackoon skins and 14 musquash skins to Mr Kimball to make two hatts and I bot 100 of Board Nails from Mr Fisk for which I paid him 6 Dollars and I paid Mr Stevens 9/6 for Mr Shed for a pair of desk hinges and 3 Dollars of sheds own Money

JULY FIRST

I filled six deeds from james Cairns to several man he had sold land to for taxes (viz) one to john Dinsmore 3 to Asa Barns one to Samell Henry and one to Major Goffe

2d I filled a Deed from Cairns to myself of Capt Stinsons land that I bot at Vendue and I went to Samll Moors mill & Butted nine logs

3d I went and Run the lines of no 4 in the 5th Rang for Thos and Jona Fletcher and took the acknowledgements of three Deeds I charged them 20 Dollars and they paid me the money

5th I took the acknowledgement of two Deeds that james Cairns gave Major Goffe of land sold at Vendue for taxes for which Goffe paid me 4 Dollars and I went Cairns and Measured off to Elisha Lincoln of the lott East of his fathers what he bot it came 6 acres and 128 Rods and after

that I Ran the line between Elisha and john Gordon which Elisha is to pay I charged 18 Dollars or two days work at Reaping or Mowing

6th we had McIntoshes oxen and Samll Moors 4 oxen and his hired man helping us and we drawed the Remainder of our logs and Samll Moors mill being 35 in Number and we went to Esqr McGregores and we brot away the Hogshead I bot from him the 29th ult and I bot another for which I paid him 5 Dollars for

7th I Run lines for joseph Fletcher at the East and West ends of no 8 in the 6th Rang and between it and no 9 and at the west end and about the half of the north line of 9 when there came on a thunder shower and beat us off I charged 16 Dollars and he paid the Money

8th I went to Amherst and attended the Sessions

9th I attended the Sessions my Expences was 3-4-0 I bot ten Rows of pins and 5 £ of tobacca for which I paid him 2-18-0 and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for landlord Smith for which he paid me two Dollars

10th I writ a Deed for Elisha Lincoln from james Cairns for which he paid me two Dollars and I writ a petition for George Graham to Masons Proprietors

12th I sent a letter by George Graham to john Rindge about his land in Bedford and I went and got a teacup full of Turnip Seed from old Mrs Turrill for which I paid her 4/

13th I went to plowing in the field by my brors and broke the beam of the plow off at the Colter hole and carried the Irons to james Wallace to have him build a new one

14th I carried 14 mould boards for plowes to james Wallace of mine and Bob and David went and began to mow in the Little meadow and in the afternoon it looked much like Rain and we Raked up what they mowed and I paid Mrs Burns 12 Dollars I owed her son Robt since the 16 of last Febr

15th Was a training in Bedford in the afternoon and at it I paid William Kennedys 5 Dollars four of which he charged for makeing a pair of shoes for myself last faul the forenoon I got seed a plow from james Wallace that he made for me and David and Alexr helped him the forenoon

16th I got plates from Shed that he made for the plow he made them of my old seed Shear and the boys and I went to the little meadow and mowed some and spread the hay and brot home a load of it

17th David and james and Alexr went to the meadow and David brot home a load of hay in the forenoon and in the afternoon David and I plowed in the field by my Brors

19th I Divided Thor Townsends Isaac Atwoods and Simeon Chubbucks Estate among them and writ 2 Deeds for them and took the acknowledgement I charged them 7-4-0 Townsend and Chubbuck paid me 4-10-0 and Atwood owes me 2-14-0 and the boys mowed some and dryed some at the meadow and brot home a load the forenoon they plowed in the field by my brors

20th we sowed our Turnip seed it was a Great Rain the forenoon

21st 22d & 23d We brot home a load of hay each day and the remainder of the time I plowed the field by my brors

24th I went and brot home half the tun of hay from Hugh Orrs that Bob got of him

26th went and brot home the other half of hay from Orrs and I brot a load from the Little meadow which is the seventh from the little meadow this year and David butchered our Patterson Cows calf it weighed about 12 £ pr quarter

27th Ensn Chubbuck set 2 shoes on my horses fore feet and he put a peice on the point of each of 3 syckles and I paid him 2 Dollars to be settled afterwards and David and Alexr brot a load of hay from the Little meadow being the last of what we had mowed

28th I went to Amherst to attend the Probate Court but no person come to do any business but one man to settle his acct and he was not quite Ready and I got 2 Hats from Mr Kimbell that he had made for me of the fur I took to him last Probate day he charged me 15 £ for makeing them and I paid him 9-12-0 of it and the Remainder I owe him and I got ¼ of a pound of peper from Means for which I paid him 20/ my Expences of 8/ one Dr joseph Bartlett of Salisbury and one jonathan Weare of Andover that Col: Nichols and I Qualified as justices paid my Dinner

AUGUST 5th

we finished Reaping we have 41 stooks and 9 sheaves in all we have Reaped since Probate day except fowle weather in which time I plowed 1½ day in the upper field we have got two fulls of a glass bottle of Rum from Chandler while we were Reaping

6th james and David went to the little meadow and Alexr and I plowed in the upper field in the forenoon and the afternoon I brot home a load of hay of what the boys mowed in the fornoon the rest we cocked

7th Alexr and I plowed about ½ the day and it came on Rain and put us off from plowing and David and james thrashed Stooks of Rie

12th we finished plowing the upper field and in the afternoon David and Alex harrowed in the field by my Brors

13th I brot a load of hay from the little meadow

14th I brot two load from the Meadow and the boys got a quart of Rum from Chandler

15th Mr Wheeler preached in Bedford

16th I brot home two load from the little meadow

17th I drawed a Complaint and Warrant for john Manahan against Barnabus McInnosh and james Moor I would not charge anything but he throwed down a 20 Dollar bill and would not take it again for all that I could urge

19th I brot home the last load of our hay from the little meadow I have seventeen load in all this year there

20th I gave Zechariah Chandler 40/ to give the post for the next three months of the Worcester news paper

21st I workt some at makeing a short body for our Cart

23d I went to Jacob McGaws at john Manahans desire to try his Case with Baranabas McInnosh and james Moor the 3 cases were Entered before Esqr Underwood Little and me the parties agreed the affair themselves Mr Claget gave us his fees that was taxed for his pleading before us I had ten Dollars Underwood nine and Little seven Little divided the money

24th I got two new cydar barrels from Isaac Atwood at 10 Dollars apeice or ½ a Dollar the old way he owed me nine Dollars toward them the rest I owe him and I took them to Deacon Littles and got one of them filled with cydar lacking about two pailful from Amaziah Polard to be paid for by Susannas weaving a coverled

25th I attended the Probate Court at Amherst the Regr did not attend I granted 1 Admr all the business the fees 30/ my Expences was 18/ I bot 2 ounces of Tea from Doctor Stevens for which I paid 31/

26th was a great Rain and I writ a deed from john Little of Halifax to Robt Willey and took the acknowledgement for which they paid me four Dollars

27 & 28th we workt at geting our hay out of the Meadow it was much flowed it was very bad work

30th we finished mowing and brot it out of the Meadow without haying it and Chubbuck made a new shoe for my horses near hind foot and shed made the Nails and set it and the other hind foot shoe the iron was mine for the shoe and nails

31st I set out for Hillsborough to see Thos Mordough and I lodged at Mr Dimonds in Francistown

SEPTEMBER FIRST

I arrived at Mordoughs and lodged there

2d I got 3 notifications from Esqr Andrews for Deacon Moor and his 2 sons to attend at Capt Bradfords in Hillsborough to hear a Deposition taken the 15th Instant and I came to Lieut Caldwells of Weare and lodged there

3d I came home my expences was 25/ on the journey

9th I workt at the Bridge on Piscataquog and we finished cuting our Stalks

10th I was Runing lines for Capt McLaughlin and Zechariah Chandler at the land they bot of Samuell Patten and Sigourney but did not finish

11th I was on the same business for McLaughlin and Chandler ½ the day but did not finish & we got a bushell of our Indian corn ground

14th I sowed 4 bushell of Rie in the field by my Brors and set out by 12 o Clock for Hillsborough to get Thos Murdoughs Deposition in Deacon Moors case and mine and I lodged at james Grahams in Derring

15th went to Capt Bradfords in Hillsboro and Esquire Andrews took his Deposition and Deacon Moor attended I gave the justice 6 Dollars for his trouble and Murdough would not take any pay my Expences at Captain Bradfords was 8 Dollars and I came to Francis Dimonds and lodged there

16th I came to john Manahans and I got 2 £ of Red wood I paid 6 Dollars of the price of it and the Remainder I owe my Expences above what I was at Capt Bradfords was 4 Dollars on the journey

17th I took our Taz Cow to john Craigs in Goffestown to pasture and we got 1½ bushell of new corn and as much Rie ground

21st I sowed out the Uper field I have sowed 7 bushell on what we fellowed of it we have sowed 5½ bushell on the field by my brors

25th I got 1½ bushell of Rie ground and as much Indian ground at Samuell Moors Mill

27th I borrowed 2 hundred Dollars from my bror Samuel

28th I went to Amherst to the Superiour Court in the between Deacon Moor and me and I had Col: Goffe and my james Robert and David there as Evidences and I gave Mr Livermore 90 Dollars as a fee

29th we attended Court it was Probate Court my part of the fees for last Probate day was 3-12-0 five Dollars I Recd last Probate day and the other 7 Dollars I Recd

31st we all attended Court and I Recd 21-9-0 from the County Treasurer which was due to me on an acct which was settled last January Court and Recd an order then to get the money

OCTOBER FIRST

we all attended Court and my case was continued by Reason of Col: Thornton would not sit in the case and I Recd two Dollars from james Moor for my takeing the acknowledgement of a Deed for his bror in law Thos English last Spring and I paid Mr Kimbell 18 Dollars the Remainder of what I owed him for makeing two hatts for me this summer my Expences at Smiths was 11-19-0 and Col: Goffes was 3-5-0 which I paid and my Expences at Hildreths was 1-16-0 and I gave the boys 50 Dollars toward their Expences and we all come home

4th I went to New boston to james Cairns paid the Tax and charge on No 5 in the 2d Rang in Bedford for the year 1777 it amounted to 8-6-10 of which I paid 3 £ and I paid john Manahans wife 5 Dollars the Remainder of the price of two £ of Redwood I got from her the 16th of last Septr and I got a pound of Tobacca from her for which I paid 12/ and I came to Wm Rogers and I got 3 £ of Shugar and 2 £ of Coffee for which I paid 4-4-0 my Expences was 24/ on this journey

7th I went to Mrs Wentworths in Merrymac to take the proof of her husbands will but jonathan Warner Esqr the only surviving witness did not come and I came home in the Evening

8th Mrs Wentworth sent Mr Goodin for me and I went to her house and Mr Warner was come and I took his Oath to the will and I got home by night I proposed to take my pay in Corn to which she consented.

14th we began to dig the first of our potatoes and I writ a deed to Lieut Starret of fifty acres in Dunbarton belonging to Elizth Messey which he sold by a license from the Superiour Court Hasadiah Woodbury and Samll Garvin and I took the acknowledgement for which they paid me four Dollars and Starrett paid me 8 Dollars for what I assisted at the Vendue of her land last winter and writing the deeds

15th I went to Londonderry to assist Mary McMurphy in her case with William Thompson and his wife I came home the 18th and I got 6½ yards of woolen cloath of Alex McMurphy at 18 Dollars pr yd to make a pair of

breeches for Robt and a jacoat and breeches for Alexr he gave a yd and a half for Alex breeches and the other 5 yds he charged to be paid in a bushell of Rie pr yd and his wife sent 2 £ of shugar and as much coffee in the saddle bags without my knowledge and she gave me some peper and Robt McMurphy gave me 2 dry Codfish my Expences was Dollar for ferriage

21st we made our Cydar we had 3 barrel

19th james Vose paid me 21 Dollars for my being an Evidence in his or the towns with Wm Caldwell

23d David and I and the 4 oxen and the Cart work at the highway between and Sheds and james workt for himself

25th Alexr McMurphy Samuell and james Patterson and I workt at our eel place geting rocks out that had come in one was so large we had to drill it for blowing it but did not finish McMurphy and I pd our Expences being 24 Dollars I writ a Deed from William Low to Samll Moor and I took the acknowledgement for wich Moor is to pay me 4 Dollars and the same hands workt at our Eel place and Hacket workt with us awhile near evening and Hacket paid 4 Dollars being Expences we were at after he came

27th I attended the Probate Court at Amherst my part of the fees was 5–9–0 my Expences was 28/ I bot a chamber pot and a Mug from Docr Stevens for which I paid 22/

28th we diged potatoes

29th we finished diging our potatoes

NOVEMBER FIRST

David went to his uncle Alexr and took 20 bushells of potatoes and 2 bushell of Turnips to him and Merril gave the ferrage inasmuch I gave the potatoes and Turnips and sending them

2d when we got up in the morning it was Snowing considerable fast and continued till the ground was all covered over

3d I went and Run lines for Abel Turril part of wich joined on joseph Houstons for which Turril paid me 8 Dollars and Houston 7 and I went to jacob McGaws at Robt Giffins desire to assist in takeing a deposition in perpetuam concerning his tendering john McConohe some money but they had agreed the affair before I got there Giffin is to pay me

4th the boys and I fitted at the shade And we got the cattle all tied up

5th David and Alexr and I and the 4 oxen and Cart workt at and the highway between and Sheds

6th David and Alexr and I and the 4 oxen and Cart workt at the highway by Chandlers and between there and Martins which paid all my highway Rate and ½ a day of a hand and 3 days of my Cart over

8th I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for samll Henry from Majr Goffe for taxes for the year 1778 for which he paid 12/ and he paid me for takeing acknowledgement of a Deed from james Cairns 12/ more and he paid me 7–4–0 as prinsaple for Cairns and 2/8 Intrest on it from the 5th of last july and I writ a power of attorney for joseph Mathies from his bror Hugh and I took the acknowledgement and I would not take pay for it

9th The boys Carted out the dung in the barn yard and I made a Crib for the horse

10th I went and brot home our Cow from john Craigs she had been there 7 weeks and 5 days he charged me for 7 weeks pastureing at 4 Dollars pr week which I paid him and the Cow proved Turbulent and lamed my left ancle and both hipps

11th young Samll Patten butchered our Cow that I brot home yesterday and jos helped our boys in butchering The hide weighed 44½ and the beaf 276 I continued so lame I could not go out to see them

12th I spent the day in framing a draft of Hugh jamesons will

13th I new drawed his will over with some alterations for forms sake and writ a line to him to let him know I had done it and sent it to Esqr McGregores by my james I charge two bushell of corn

15th we went to Samll Moors and got all our logs on the ways and all Butted Except 5 we have 32 pine to saw and one oak for studs we brot home 1 stock of boards and some joise

16th we took 41 bushell of potatoes to Mr Shed he is to have 30 bushell of them the other 11 we are to have ourselves and took them there to keep them from freezing and we brot home 2 load of wood

17th I got a side of sole leather from Stephen French that weighed 12 £ and I picked pine over Piscataquog on the common land where we loged last winter and the boys picked 3 jags at home

18th I carried a letter to Elisha Lincoln for to get a pair shoes made for David and I took 2 bushell of corn and a bushell of Rie to Samll Moors mill and got it ground and Mr McVea come here to Taylor

20th Shed made two new shoes for my horses fore feet of his Iron and set them and David got his shoes from Elisha Lincoln but they did not suit him and jamey got them

22d The boys made a fence at the Barn for a yard and fitted at the Howvel and I went to Mr. Alexanders and Squared and braced Susannas Loom

23d james Robt and David went to No 8 in the 3d Rang and I went to Samuel Moors Mill with the Team and took 2 bushell of corn with me and got it ground and I brot home 1½ stock of short Boards with me Samll Moor had taken the other half to the amount of 126 feet my half was not so large no of feet

24th I attended the Probate Court at Amherst my part of the fees was 3-13-4 the Register paid me 5/ over my Expences was 18/

25th I went up to the Boys with team and took 13 boards in number with me about 160 feet and I tarried over night

26th we workt at building a Camp it began to Snow toward Night and I sett off toward home it snowed on me all the way home next morning the snow was about 5 inches deep

27th Gan Riddel sent for me to do the writings in settleing his estate I spent the day and untill near 10 o Clock at night but did not finish

29th I went to Gan Riddels and Drawed his Will and I got home about 9 o Clock I propose to take my pay in Corn to which they consented my usual price is two bushell of corn a day

DECEMBER 2d

To writing a deed for Lieut Boies for which he paid me 12/ and David went to Samuell Moors mill and got 2 bushell of corn and 1½ of Rie ground

3d I went to Robt Burns and got ½ £ of allspice and ½ a mug of Sling for which I paid him 38/

4th I granted Guardianship to my bror Samll for his daughters jane and Ann I took no fees but I am to pay the Register his part and discount it with him in what I owe him the whole fees is 5-12-6

6th I granted Guardianship to john Bell for three of his children (viz) john Susanna and Mary the fees 6-15-0 I took the Regr part which is 4-10-0 and my part I allow to him for some fish time Expences the last spring he suttled at Amoskeig and I granted admr on Samll Dickeys Estate to Robt Boyd and Alexr Parker the fees 5-5-0 which Boyd paid

7th I workt at Shoeing our wood Sled

8th I went to Goffestown to old Mrs McFarlands funeral

9th WAS THANKSGIVEING THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES BY ORDER OF THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS

11th I spent untill the middle of the afternoon at Chandlers with Esqr MacGregore and others examining some of the money Wm Palmer had paid away and I paid Chandler 11 Dollars to pay the Boston post for the pápers three months and I had ½ a mug of Tody for which I paid him 10/

13th was a meeting of the inhabitants of Merrymac and Bedford at Mr Holts to chuse a Represantative Esquire Claget had 37 Votes and Lt Orr 36 and the Minority called for a poll but Mr Clagets party would not poll Orrs party polled and was 41 in number Merrymac Selectmen made return that Mr Claget was chose and I Recd 7 Dollars more from james Voce on acct of my being an Evidence in his case with Wm Caldwell

14th Col: Goffe Esqr Claget Underwood Macgregeore and me held a Court of Examination on Wm Palmer concerning counterfit money Esquire Macgregore and me paid what Liquor we had which was six Dollars apeice and I got home about midnight

17th Shed calked three shoes for my horse at heel and toe and set all 4 shoes

18th yesterday and today and part of the day before I workt at drawing a plan of that part of Merrymac which was Sowhegan east and all the lotts about 2½ days my charge is two bushell of corn a day which amounts to 5 bushell in the whole I did it at Mr Solomon Hutchinson desire

20th I began to draw the plan of Bedford and the lotts for the selectmen of Bedford and finished the 27th the forenoon it cost me more than 5 day to do it my charge is 10 bushell of Indian corn or the price of it on the 22d I went to Robt Burnses and got 2 £ of shugar for which I paid 12 Dollars and on the 24th I attended Gan Riddel funeral and was a pall bearer on the 27th I writ a deed from Ebenezer Coston to Alexr Weatherspoon and I took the acknowledgement Coston paid me 3 Dollars for writing the deed and I took nothing for the acknowledgement only his sowing on a pair of soles on a pair of one of my boys shoes last winter

28th Robt and David and our 4 oxen helped Morrial to get wood

29th was a stormy day of snow from the N: E: and I did not go to Amherst to hold the Probate court

30th We butchered our two hogs and two Shoats the 4 weighed 468 and I borrowed ½ a bushell of salt from Zechariah Chandler it weighed 39 £ and 5 ounces I am to pay it by weight and if it is dirtyer than what I got I am to make him such allowance as he thinks will be right

31st Alex went to Samll Moors Mill and got 2 bushell of Indian corn ground

JANUARY 1780

2d Sabathday was a great snow

3d severe blowing cold

4 Tedious blowing cold the snow drifted very much yesterday and today

5th a very pleasant day and I went to Samll Moors Mill and brot home the Meal of two bushell of corn and about three pecks of Rie that Alexr took to be ground there on the 1st instant

6th a very tedious storm of snow

7th it snowed and blowed hard all day & drifted

8th drifted very much no stirring out these days

9th still continues to blow but not so hard the wind all this month between North and N: E:

10th We broke out to our wood and I shoveled snow about the door

11th the boys got wood very bad doing

12th Robert David and Alexr and the 4 oxen broke the path to the River road by desire of the Surveyors altho I had workt my rate out in the faul and one half a day of hand and 3 days of my Cart over

13th I went to Robt Burns and got 3 £ of Shugar and 2 £ of Coffie on credit the shugar at 6 Dollars and the Coffie at 8 Dollars pr £

14th Robt and David and the 4 oxen worked for David Moor geting wood

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JANUARY 14 1780

In this month Robt and David and the 4 oxen got wood one days Robt Morril the latter part of the month no storms but the snow very deep and the weather very cold and on the 25th I took the proof of Gan Riddells will the fees pd by the execr being 5-8-0

FEBRUARY FIRST

I Granted Adminr on the estate of Daniell Hacket to his bror Ebenezer the fees paid by the admr being 5-8-0 nothing material hapened untill the 14th when I set out for Boston with my old horse and sley nine turkeys and 2 bushell of cranberrys and I got 1½ bushell of Rie from Stephen Lund on Mrs Wentworths acct which I charged her for my two journeys to her house the 7th and 8th of last October to take the proof of her husbands Will and I lodged at Mr Harods

15th I went to Capt: Polards it began to Rain when I went from Maning and so continued and Encreased till I got to Polards it rained allmost all night and thawed the 16th I lay by no traviling

17th I sold my Turkeys which weighed 79¾ at 20/ pr £ and the Cranberry at 6 pound pr bushell and my rie Meal at 13-10-0 pr bushell to Capt Polard which came to 111-10-0 I abated the 1-10-0 and I got 1½ £ of Tea and 1½ lbs of Coffie and ½ a bushell of Salt from him and my Expences which was 12-6-0 and 60 £ in money which was 20/ of the 30/ back that I gave up the Salt was 18 £ and the 18 £ and the Coffie 2-14-0 and I bot at Mr Abbots Shop 8 £ of Shugar at 4 Dollars pr £ and set out for home and got to Hobards and lodged there

18th I got home near daylight down my whole Expences on the journey was 20-13-0 and I carried my home provision for myself and provender for my horse

21st I writ a Deed from Robt Wilie to his bror james of his half of the place where they live in this town they paid me 8 Dollars for the Deed and the Acknowledgement

22d I went to Amherst expecting that the Superiour Court would sit but it did not and lodged at Mr Smiths

23d I attended the Probate Court the whole fees were 38 dollars I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for Alexr Parker for which he gave me 6 Dollars and I went to the Goal house to try a case between one Odell and Francis Lovejoy they settled the matter themselves the gave me 20 dollars for my Trouble and I lodged at Mr Smiths

24th I came home my Expences was 20 Dollars

The Remainder of the month I workt at coopering

MARCH FIRST

I Run the line between Robt Morril and joseph Bell I charged them 14 Dollars and Bell paid me the half of it and Morril promised to pay the other half

4th I attended on the selectmen more than half the day and I swore them and Major Goffe six diferant Captions to go to the General Court I shall charge them 20 Dollars and Samuel Smith of Goffestown brot me half a Quire of Blank Deeds from Exeter the price was 20 Dollars I gave him 21 Dollars I workt at Coopering untill the 13th when I finished makeing this winter two washing tubs two Kegs seven pails and two Funels

14th I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for John Gardner the fee unpaid a went to our Camp and tarried untill the 18th in which time I taped about 50 Maple trees I made about 1 £ of shugar

21st I went to Newboston to arbitrate between Samll Nutt and David Scobey we were on the business untill the 24th when we adjourned till the 2d Tuesday of june next and I came to james Caldwells and lodged there

27th I signed a wart for the Selectmen to carrie Samuell Moors black woman to Portsmouth and I went to john Burns and writ a deed to Robt and took the acknowledgement of it and I writ a Quitance for Robt to sign to his fathers Estate and another to his father for Rie and james Mann gave me 16 Dollars for a Summons and Notification &c

29th I attended the Probate at Amherst the Register had not recovered out of the small Pox so as to attend the Amount of the fees out of what business I did amounted to 38–0–6 and I Recd 7–17–6 from Majr Abbott over for Guardianship he paid for 4 children some time ago that he did not pay for when he was apointed my Expences was 2–17–0

30th I went to Capt William Barrons and I took the acknowledgement of Lucy Barron of the deed she gave to john Bell and I writ a summons for Robt Ushar in his sons Abijahs case with john McClenche I am to take depositions at Timy Taylors the 7th of April next yesterday I bot a black silk Handkerchief of my james with his money at Means for which I paid 65 Dollars and I got a Quire of paper for myself for which I paid 15 Dollars

31st David and I went out to our camp and got 18 pails of sap all froz into ice

APRILL FIRST

we got about 8 pails of sap

3d I took 6 Depositions for james Mann in his Case with Morrill and did other witings in their affair and I took the acknowledgement of two deeds of Asa Barns for which he paid 5 Dollars

4th Alexr and went to our Camp and got 21 pails of Sap with 9 pails david left there last night I boiled away fit for shugaring the sun 1½ or two hours high next morning when I shugared it I had I suppos about 10 £ of the 30 pails of Sap

6th I came home in the Evening

7th I went Timothy Taylors in Merrymac and 8 Persons Depositions in Abijah Ushars case agt john McClenche Robt Ushar paid my Expences and I charged him three bushell of corn which he promised to pay

8th I came home about the middle of the day

10th I measured 7 Sticks of Oak that David hauld to the river in Martins field there was 8 tuns and 6 feet of it without any allowance for Defects

11th Shed Sharpened my Seed plow irons and upsett an ax and mended my shovel by Rivet Nails

12th I was much out of case and got a little sweat but not any more than was forced

13th was some better but still very poorly

14th the Selectmen came here and Moses Barron and john Stuart gave them a deed for Samuell Fugard of the home lott No 27 They paid me 14 dollars which was 4/ over what I charged and I could not give them the change was some better today

Continued but poorly all along

20th I got ½ a bushell of peas from William Moor up the River for which I paid him 25 Dollars

21st David and Alexr helped john Wallace raft the afternoon and I got wyths for Rafting Davids timber and john Moors pine logs at Goffes ferry

22d Wallace and his hands & his son in law Moor and us Rafted Davids

7 sticks of Oak which made 8 Tun and 6 feet without any allowance and 8 pine logs Wallace is to take them down and make the best he can of them and to pay himself out of it and the afternoon we all went and Rafted John Moors logs at Goffes ferry

24th I split 60 white pine Rails

25th I sowed 19 fulls of our large stone mug of Wheat David Scobey gave it to us a present and I sowed half a bushell of peas that I got of Wm Moor and I split 28 white pine Rails

26th WAS FAST BY ORDER OF CONGRESS THROUGH THE UNITED STATES

28th I sowed ¾ of a bushell of flaxseed at home and I carried a peck to Samll MacFarland for him to sow for us and David went with the Oxen and Cart for the things at the Camp and I took a acknowledgement of a Deed from Whitefield Gillmore and his wife and john Dunlap and his wife to Col Moor and of another Deed from Samll McFarland to his Mother

MAY FIRST

I writ a Deed from john Bell to Nathll Williams of his place in Newboston and a mortgage of it back to him and I took the acknowledgement for which they paid me 30 Dollars and Alexr went to Holts mill and got two bushell of Indian corn ground

2d I writ a Deed from Nathan Shed to Stephen French of Sheds place and took the acknowledgement Ensign Chubbuck Senr is to pay for it by agreement and in the afternoon I attended the Funeral of Capt McLaughlins son john who Departed this life yesterday about 11 o Clock of I supposs of the Galloping Consumption

3d I went to the Little meadow and upsett the posts in my part of the fence between Lieut Smith and me and supported them up with crotches and picked up some limbs that were fell down and some Rails that were flooded about on the meadow

4th I went to Samll Moors and we settled for his sawing what logs we halled on the ways last Summer he sawed six of them into clapboards and he sawed 6 for me for them the Remainder being 52 made of Boards and Slit Work 10582 feet he has got 2260 feet and has 3031 feet to take of them yet he gave me the Sawing of a log of Red Oak for studs

6th I went to the Little meadow and picked up the old posts and Rails at the north end of the Chandler lot and about 30 rails on the south side of the dispute lott on the upland and carried some posts to the upland out of the meadow

8th David and Alexr and I went with the Oxen and Cart to the little meadow and Carted the Rails that I picked up on the 6th to the north side of the dispute lott and layed them from the meadow to the N: W: corner and posts Ready for setting up and we brot about 30 New Rails to help make up and it came on Rain and we came of and we got a barrel of Cydar drawed off from Robt Alexander which Susey says she will pay

9th the forenoon I went and assisted Mr Sheds to load their goods to go to Goffestown They gave Alexr a pig and in the afternoon I went and Set

up 17 lengths of post and Rails between james Smith and me on the north side of the dispute lott

10th I went and sett up the Remainder of the posts and Rails I have made from the west end to the brook which he proposes to be for my part to make and maintain from the middle of the East end to the N: E: corner and the north side of the Dispute lott

11th I worked at geting posts to make the fence by Sheds

12th we got word in the morning that my wife had fell and Strained her ancle at Deacon Moors and David went with the Oxen and Cart and brot her home and I workt at the posts

13th I went to James Moors in Goffestown and I got three pints of Rum to bath my wifes ancle for which I paid him 6-15-0 and David hauled the posts that I got there was 54 of them and 22 Rails

15th I made a pair of Bows for our oldest oxen

16th 17th & 18th I sett up the posts and Rails by Sheds old place

19th Was a Thunder shower in the morning and was followed by an uncommon darkness such as is not remembered it was so dark That one could not known a man but at a small distance and Were obliged to keep a light in the chimney to see to go about and the night was Extraordinary dark untill one o Clock that a person could not see their hand when held up nor even a white sheet of paper the day and night was cloudey the clouds in the day did not seem thick and was of a lightening up couler our almanack makers have given no account of the matter the cause unknown The works of the Lord are great and marvellous past finding out untill he Graciously pleases to Reveal them

20th I got a bushell of Corn from William Moor up the river on joseph Sanders acct of what he owes me and I got it Ground at Samll Moors

22d I butchered Suseys heifers Calf it weighed 37 £ and I went to Enoch Eatons to see if I could trade with him for salt but could not

23d & 24th I made up the fence about our last years Cow yards and fitted them for plowing

25th I went out to our Camp and the horse got off his Bridal and went off and I looked for him till night but could not find him

26th looked for the horse but could not find him and I planted 43 hills of potatoes at the Camp and yesterday and today the boys planted some potatoes by Sheds old place

27th The horse was at home in the morning and I went and got 4 bushells of corn from widow Riddel for my doing the writings of the settlement of his Estate last Novr and I took it to Samuell Moors mill and got it ground and I went to the falls and got 8 Shad from john Clogston who has fished my Right at the stage all this week by the halves he gave me an account of 55 he had got beside what he got the first three days

29th David went to the falls and I went up in the afternoon and David got 10 shad and I gave james Dokes folks 2 and McIntoshs one and Frenches one and I brot 6 home

30th I went to Litchfield to see our james we heard he was Sick which acct was not true and in the Evening I went to the falls and got 6 shad from David

31st I went to Amherst and attended the Probate Court and I fell about 15 £ in the Regr Debt of what fees I had Recd more than he Recd since last Novbr which was the last time we were both together at probate my Expences was 4–10–0 and I bot six £ of Tobacca from Doctr Stevens for which I paid him 9 £

JUNE FIRST

I went to the falls toward night I hung two Eels nents before I went and Alexr brot home 3 shad

2d David sent home 16 shad and I got 3 shad and David got 8

3d I got 6 one I gave to Samll MacFarland and 2 I gave for Cydar and 3 I brot home David and I got a hundred Eels this week

5th I writ a Deed from Susanna and jean Walker to Nathan Shed for which they paid me 4–16–0 and I took the acknowledgement for Mr Shed to be settled in our acct

6th I went to the falls to fish for Eels but got none

7th I catched a Salmon that weighed 18 or 20 £ as we Guesed I sold it for 100 Dollars and bot 12 Rows of pins for which I paid 24 Dollars and I took a Deposition for Lieut Hall for which I had 16 Dollars in our Expences for it

8th I got a bushell of Corn from james Marrs for my doing some writings for him the 11th of Augt 1778 which paid me and I took it to Samll Moors mill and had it Ground and David and I went to the Falls and fished Eels the night following

9th I got 18 Eels and David got 28 and 12 the company gave him for his hook that was lost my Expences was 8 Dollars at Wm Karrs

12th I went to the Falls and I got 100 Eels in the daytime and I sent them by Alexr to Stephen French

13th last night David and I got 100 Eells and Alexr put them off to john McIntosh for Flax to be at the old way which comes to about 17 £ of Flax which we are have And I went to Newboston to arbitrate between Samll Nut and David Scobey we were on the business the 14th and 15th when we finished I did not join in the award we charged 108 £ apeice for our service for which we severally took a note on Demand from Nutt on Intrest and I came home the Evening of the 15th we were 7 days on the Arbn in last March and now

16th I went to the falls and I got 7 shade at our setting place

17th The boys got near 60 Eels last night and a shad I got 11 shad 6 of them I gave to Isaac Atwood for 11 Dollars I owed him of the price of two Barrels that I had from him the 24th of last August and the Remaining 5 I brot home

19th I went to the Falls and I got 3 shad

20th I went with William McHard of Newbury Port to james Gillmores and took his (viz) Gillmores wifes acknowledgement of a deed for which I would take no pay and the Afternoon to Robt Ushars for the 3 bushell of Corn he was to let me for takeing Depositions in his sons case last Spring but got none

21st I gave Mrs Chandler 27 ½ Dollars to give Mr. Bean for the News paper the present Quarter

22d I borrowed a bushell of Indian corn from Samll Moor for which he says he intends to have me to Run lines for

23d I went with Mr Alexander to his house and took the acknowledgement of a Deed from Col: Moor to him and he signed a paper for me to pass to the Meadow across his land

24th I borrowed 4 bushell of Rie from john McIntosh which I am to pay after the crop comes off the ground and I took it to Samll Moors mill and had it ground and he let me have the Tole which I am to pay him for

27th one Noyes of Boscawen Returned the Inventory of his fathers Estate and paid 40 Dollars fees I have plowed among the Corn for the boys to hoe some days past

28th I attended the Probate Court at Amherst the Register gave me 19 Dollars with the 40 I Recd yesterday and what I had more than my part the last Probate day made us even and I bot 8 ¾ £ of Tobacca from Docr Stevens for which I am to pay him 20 Dollars and john Henry gave me 8 Dollars a present and I had 40/ for a Citation from Enoch Eastman and I bot a Mug at Means for which I paid 9 Dollars and I tarried at Smiths over night I could not pay my Expences nor dont know how much the amounted to

29th I came of in the morning before breakfast and came home

30th I drawed a Complaint and Wart for Samuell Trull agt james Houston for a breach of the peace and an order on Samuell Smiths Petition for a Division of land between him and his Bror john

JULY FIRST

I copied Samll Smiths Petition and order and I went and Run the line for john Riddel between him and Townsend and at the west end of his land I charged ½ a bushell of corn and he got it for me from his Mother and I got 2 ½ bushell of corn from Widow Riddel his mother for which I paid 100 Dollars and I took the 3 bushell to Samll Moors mill and had it ground

3d I went to William McAllesters and Measured an acre that he sold to his bror in law Nathaniel Spafford and writ the Deed and took the acknowledgement for which Spafford is to work a day for me and I went to Samll Moors Mill and got a bushell of Rie that Hugh Jameson brot there for me last week toward writing his Will sometime last year

6th I went to Robt Ushars for the Corn he owed me for takeing depositions in his son Abijahs case he had spoke to Josiah Chamberlin for two bushell of it the other bushell Chamberlin let me have on condition that if Ushar did not pay him for it I would and I had it ground at their mill

8th I gave Robt Ushar a summons for 10 Evidences in his son Abijahs case with john McClenche to give their Evidence the 10th

10th I went to Timothy Taylors in Merrymac to take the Depositions for Ushar and I sit up allmost all night at the Business I lay down some time before day

11th I was on the same Business and finished I believe I took about a Dozen Dpositions and I got home about dark I charged 3 days on the acct of my sitting up in the night

13th I gave Enos McDaniell of Newbury Port a Notification to Abhram Reed to hear Esqr MacGregore sworn and I took the acknowledgement of the Deed for Israel young for which he paid me 12 Dollar

15th I swore Esqr MacGregore for Mr McDaniells and wrote the Caption for which and the Notification he paid me 20 Dollars

17th I got 5 £ of Coffie from john Wallace toward the Oak Timber and pine loggs he had from us last Spring being the first article we have got in pay of them and Alexr Macmurphy came and got away 1½ bushell of Rie and as much corn of what Bob owes him and his Daughter Sarah took away as much of Each sort of grain the 13th Instant

20th we began to Mow at home

21st we began to Mow at the Little meadow

22d I brot home a Load of hay from the Little meadow

24th I went with Lt Abrham Reed and took 6 Depositions for him in his Case with Enos McDaniell for which service he gave me 70 Dollars and we brot home a load of hay from the little meadow

25th I got a bushell of Salt from john Wallace on acct of the Stuff he had from us last Spring and I paid Zechariah Chandler the ½ bushell of salt I borrowed from him the 30th of last Decbr and I got 14 jills of Rum from Lieut Orr for which I paid him 28 Dollars

26th I attended the Probate Court at Amherst we did only as much business as the fees came to 14 £ my Expences was 22 Dollars which I paid and I paid Mr Smith 32 Dollars for my Expences at the Probate court in last june and I paid Docr Stevens 20 Dollars for what Tobacca I got from him at last june Probate and I got 4 £ of Tobacca from him today for which I paid him 30 Dollars

27 & 28th we worked at the little meadow geting hay very hot weather

29th I sowed our Turnip seed in the Cow yards that we yarded Last summer

30th Mr Davison preached in Bedford

31st David and I mowed in the meadow at home being the first we mowed in it this Summer

AUGUST FIRST

we mowed up to the Bridge and then Reaped in the field by my Brors we reaped 3 Stooks

2d We Reaped 2 Stooks and the Remainder of the day we took care of our hay and got it into cock we had 20 cocks of it

3d Mrs Morril helped us Reap her and Alexr and I Reaped 6 stooks and David went and got 2 Quarts of Rum from Lt Orr for which he paid 32 dollars and he carted in the hay

4th was Dull weather that We did not Reap

5th Alexr and I Reaped 4 Stooks a very hot day

7th Alexr and I Reaped 5 Stooks

8th Daniell Hickey came at noon and Reaped with us the afternoon and David got a Gallon of Rum from Lieut Orr on credit

9th Daniell Hickey Reaped with us and David Reaped part of the forenoon and we finished Reaping the field by my brors by noon we have

31½ Stooks on it this year and we began to Reap in the upper field and David Reaped with us we Reaped 4 stooks

10th Daniell Hickey Reaped with us and john McLaughlin came after Breakfast and Reaped we all Reaped 12 Stooks and 9 shaves and David butchered james black lamb

11th Daniell Hickey Reaped the forenoon and gave out on acct of his back we Reaped 5 Stooks and 8 Sheaves among us and David and I Carted in all the Rie we had Reaped in the whole it made 54 stooks

12th we Reaped 5 Stooks and 4 sheaves ourselves

14th My Brors john Reaped for us on my james acct we Reaped 7 Stooks and 4 sheaves

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM AUGT 14th 1780

15th & 16th Mrs Morril helped us Reap we finished our Rie the upper field produced us 47 Stooks we have 78½ stooks of Rie in all this year on the 15th David layd out 60 Dollars to Lt Orr and 70 to McDole for me for Rum of his money

19th we mowed in the meadow at home

21st I had the Rose in my left leg and I got a Sweat and got better and the boys workt at takeing care of the hay

23d we went to work at the little meadow to get hay and worked at geting hay there the Rest of the week Exceept on the 25th I went in the afternoon and Run a peice of a line between Samll Gibsons and Alexr McColley I charged them a bushell of Rie and McColley gave to me home with me

26th I gave Robt Ushar a Summons for a number of Witnesses for his sons case with McClenche to give their Depositions on Monday next

28th I went to Timothy Taylors in Merrymac and took a number of Depositions for Ushar and Set up on the business untill midnight

29th I came home by noon I mean to charge 4 bushell of corn

30th I attended the Probate Court at Amherst the Regr gave me 18 £ which was 20/ more than my part of what fees we took my Expences was 6 £ and I came home

31st I sold my 5 Rights in Dartmouth to Capt joseph Hutchins for 1500 Dollars and 1300 & a half of flour the money to be paid and the flour to be Delivered the last of next Febr

SEPTEMBER 2d

David butchered our Weather sheep he weighed 50 £ of meat cloudy Rainy Drizley weather this day and the two days past

3d Mr Miltimer preached in Bedford a great deal of Rain fell about the middle of the day

4th We finished mowing at the little meadow

6th We finished mowing at home

7th the boys Carted the hay out of the meadow at home and pitched it off in the field by the barn to Hay it and young james Houston helped the boys to Rake the hay and I went to the little meadow and shaked out

what hay we had there being about ⅔ of a jag and Cocked it after it was dry

8th I Carted home the last of our hay from the little meadow

9th we dried our hay at home and got it all in and I writ a Deed and I took the acknowledgement from Ebenr Coston to Carleton Parker Parker worked for me the most of the while I was writing Parker is to pay me in shugar

11th Alexr and I cutt and tyed Stalks and David went along with Robt to help him cut up and burn on no 12 in the 4th Rang he was with him the 8th and 9th Robt came home the 30th of August and workt with us till the 8th and I cleaned up 6 bushell of Rie and we cleaned up I think about 4½ bushell before of this years crop

12th I went to Samll Moors mill with 2 bushell of Rie and had it ground

13th I went the whole day trying to get a harrow to harrow the Rie in on the ground Robt cleared by Morrisons in the 4th Rang and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed Doctor Cutler from Major Goffe to be settled in our acct

14th last night and this morning it Rained considerable and the after part of the day it was clear and a high wind at the N: W: and I cleaned up what wheat we had there was I suppos about three pecks of it

15th I went out to the boys where they were clearing by Morrisons

16th Alex and I workt at Stocking and in the afternoon I went to james Houstons at his son Isaacs desire and writ a Deed from his father to him of his fathers place and young jamey workt for me the while I was there

18th I went and Run the line between Thos Lancey and james Thompson for which Lancey is to Swingle flax for me day after tomorrow

20th Lancey came and Swingled a pound of flax but the day was a damp air and he went home and I went to Doles to assist them to Divide their place

21st I was on the same business and finished they paid me 14 £ and 11 ounces of salt Pork & 5 £ and 2 or 3 ounces of shugar for my 2 days service

23d I went to Samll Moors Mill with two bushell of rie and had it Ground and took leather to james Docks for him to make a pair of shoes

25th I went with Alex MacMurphy to Samll Moors mill to let him have two Thousand of boards but did not measure off and but alowed Moor to measure them when he come for them aad I got the shoes from Dock that he made for me

26th I went and had my james Robt and David and Col: Goffe to Amherst to be Evidences in my case with Deacon Moor there was only two judges there besides Col: Thornton and had the case continued by Reason that Deacon Moor is Col: Thorntons Uncle by Marriage

27th I attended the Proate Court my part of the fees 37-10-0

28th I got Col: Goffes Deposition Relateing my case with Deacon Moor taken in perpetuam before Esqr Blanchard and Col: Baldwin Col: Baldwin took 3 £ for his trouble and Blanchard would take no pay I bore Col: Goffes Expences which was 20 : 6 : 0 and I gave Mr Livermore 30 £ as a fee my own Expences at this time at Amherst was 42 £ I bot a Quire of

paper from Means for which I paid 12 £ and I bot a quantity of Tobacca from Doctr Stevens for which I paid him 16–5–0 eight pounds of it was weighed and I suppose there was 6 or 7 £ that we did not weigh and I gave my james 12 £ and Robt 36 £ and David 48 £ and I Pd the Clerk of the Inferiour court 5–8–0 for a Copy of the judgement of my case with Deacon Moor and I came home about Daylight down

29th john McLaughlin got 1½ bushell of Rie on Daniell Hickeys acct toward his Reaping for me last summer

30th I took 1½ bushell of New Indian corn and 2 bushell of Rie to Samll Moors mill and had it ground

OCTOBER 2d

I sowed a bushell and about 10 Quarts of Rie on the land Robt Cleared by Samll Morrisons and David and Alexr went to Harrow it in they had Lt Gillmores harrow

3d they finished and got home by night the harrow was made of a Crotch and was cracked and it gave way so that they had to chain it together, to make it do

4th I went to Esqr MacGregores and took 3 Depositions for him I would not charge him anything for doing it but he threw done a Sixty Dollar Bill and would not take it back

5th I gathered some corn and bean that growed among the corn a very cold day and and Cloudy and Rained some little

6th I gathered at the beans and the boys gathered at the Corn in the afternoon I writ a Deed from Benjn Vickere from him to one William Harris and I took the Acknowledgement and some Notes for which they paid me 35 Dollars

7th I writ an Instrument from Isaac Houston to his Father of the improvement the half of the half of the lott his father Deeded to him and I took the acknowledgement of the Deed and the other Instrument the charge which is ⅔ of a Dollar according to old times is to be settled in our acct

10th we got in the last of our corn

11th I attended administration on the Estate of Josiah Wood late of Goffestown to Docr jona Fox of Hollis his bror in law he did not pay the fees but promised to pay them next Probate day I dated the Bond and letters of admr back to last Probate day

16th I went at Esqr MacGregores Desire to his house and took 4 Depositions for him to go to the General Court

17th I went and Run lines for William McAllester and writ a Deed from him to his bror in law Nathll Spaford and a bond from Spaford to him for clearing of land I charged a Dollar the old way which McAllester promised to pay me

18th I went to Samll Moors Mill with 2½ bushell of Corn and had it ground and I had a pint of Rum from Chandler for which I paid 54/

19th I went to Robt Ushars and got a pair of Wool Cards toward the pay of my takeing Depositions for him in his sons Abijahs Case with john McClenche

20th I went to Samll Moors Mill with 3¼ bushell of Corn and had it ground

21st I swore David Moor to a Deposition he gave for Esqr MacGregore against Doctr Heges

22d I set out for Portsmouth for Esqr Macgregore to be an Evidence for him at the General Court on a petition he had Prefered agt Doctr Heges he found me Capt McLaughlins mare to ride I bore my own Expences the Esqr would have given me money to have bore it but I would not have it for I want Salt for my Journey and Expences which he said I could have I kept at Tobias Warners from Monday afternoon to Wednesday forenoon being Six meals and two lodgeings they would not take any pay for it my Expences beside was 104 Dollars I bot things on this journey that cost 326 Dol while I was from home Alex MacMurphy paid my wife 200 Dolrs toward the 2000 of boards I let him have and my David and Team hauled the boards to Merrils ferry for him

26th I came home in the afternoon

27th we finished diging potatoes by where Shed formerly lived we had 53 bushell of them

28th it Rained considerable today and the night following

30th I went along with Lieut Reed and took Samll Starkes Wife john Reys and Wm Nutts wifes Deposition for him in his case with Enos McDaniell for which service he gave me a Spanish Milled Dollar

NOVEMBER FIRST

was a Tedious Storm of Snow from the N: E: and the wind backed in to the west of North and snowed all day it cleared up some time before next morning I drawed the plan of No 11 & 12 in the 7th Rang and of 114 Third Division and of 76 meadow lott for Lieut james Smith I charged 20 Dollars which he promised to pay me

2d I took 1½ bushell of Indian corn and as much rie to Samll Moors mill and got it ground and I went to Esqr McGregores and I bot 3 £ of shugar from him for which I paid 30 Dollars and I bot 6¾ £ of snuf and blader from him on credit the old way we talked of a pistereen and half the old way pr £ And I let Ezekll Gardiner have ¾ of a bushell of Rie on Daniel Dickeys acct which with the 1½ bushell of Rie john McLaughlin got the 29th of last september made the 2¼ of a bushell I owed Dickey for his Reaping for me last summer

3d I went to McGaws and bot ¼ £ of Indigo for which I paid 70 Dollars and I left ½ a bushell and about a pint of Rie for the Post Mr Bean for the present Eleven weeks he proposed to Ride and I came to Holts and I got two pounds of shugar from Carleton Parker for the Remainder of the price of a Deed and the Acknowledg I writ for him the Ninth of last Septr and I got a pound more for which I paid 10 dollars

4th I took 3 bushell of corn to Samll Moors mill and had it ground

6th I borrowed 8¼ £ of Beaf from Robert Morril and last week we borrowed 8¾ £ of Beaf from him and today he gave me a Neats tongue And Alex MacMurphy paid me 200 Dollars toward the boards I let him have this faull and I let him have a bushell of Rie toward the cloath we had

from this faull was a year and I paid my bror Sam^{ll} 300 Dollars for the 200 I borrowed from him Septr was a year

8th we diged about 14 bushell of potatoes

9th I went to Samuell Moors mill with our Team and I took 2 bushell of corn with me and had it ground and I brot home about 15 or 16 boards with me and we finished diging potatoes we diged about 8 bushell today

10th I went to LondonDerry and took some cotton yarn with me to McKinseys to be put into some Lawn he is to weave for us and I lodged at Robt MacMurphys & I carryed a bushell of Rie to Alex^{r} MacMurphys toward the cloath

11th I got the bushell of Salt that Alex^{r} Macmurphy got me toward the boards I let him have this faul it came out at 70 £ pr bushell at Newbury he brot it to his house in Derry free of charge and I bot 6 £ of Coffie at 84 Dollars ¼ £ of peper at 30 and 4 Rows of pins at 8 and ¼ and ½ of yard of broadcloath at 187½ Dollars from Majr Pinkerton and paid him the money I paid for my ferryage going and comeing 6 Dollars and the boys got my brors Sam^{ll} & john and butchered our Patterson Cow she had 46 £ of hide 286 £ of beaf and 14 £ of tryed out Tallow

13th I haked up what Boards and Slit work I had at Sam^{ll} Moors mill and I went and Run lines for joseph Sanders and David and Nath^{ll} Merril and I writ two Deeds for them and took the acknowledgements I charged them 120 Dollars they paid me the money and I gave it to jos Sanders for which he is to give me 4 £ of Cotton

14th I Run the lines of the Division of Lieut Gillmores farm in Goffestown amongst the Heirs for which they paid me 100 Dollars

15th I went and Settled with Lieut Orr for his Sawing Studs and Braces for me Spring was a year which amounted to 1072 feet and the logs that we hauled to his mill last winter made boards to pay him the 1072 feet and 1346 feet over that my half of them is 673 feet which I am to get from him when I call

16th I workt at the highway helping to Repair the Bridge over Piscataquog and that by Majr Goffes

17th David and Alex^{r} cleaned up 5¼ bushell of Rie

20th I sowed 3 bushell and 10 Quarts of Rie on the corn ground above the Barn

21st David Sowed a bushell and 3 quarts of Rie north of the house and I went to Chester to give Evidence in the case between john Hall and his bror Thomas I went on Thos acct and I went to Majr Tolfords and lodged there

22^{d} a heavey storm of Snow and Rain I lay by

23^{d} I came home my Expences was 16 Dollars

25th I writ a Quitclaim Deed from the other heirs Lieut Robt Gillmore to his widow of her half of his Estate which he gave her by his Will

27th I went to Esqr MacGregores and with him determined a case Between john Taggarts Daughter Cristen Compt and jerediah Pattes wife & Daughter Lavinia Respts we fined them 4 £ each and cost of prosecution our part of the feas was 13-10-0 he gave me 8-14-0 of it and the fine I took 3 bushell of corn to Sam^{ll} Moors mill

28th I Divided James Moors place in Goffestown and writ a Deed of the half of it to Timothy Kimball and a Deed of Kimballs place at Mistick farm to him and I took the acknowledgements they did not pay me I am to writ a Security from Kimbell to Moor for the half of the crop of what he Deeded to Kimbell for two year and I came home by Samll Moors and brot home the meal of the corn I took there yesterday

29th I got a bushell of Lisbon Salt from Esqr McGregore Toward my going to Portsmouth for him last October and I went to a meeting of Merrymac and Bedford to chuse a Representative my Bror Samll was chose by a unanimous Vote my Expences was four Dollars

30th we got up almost all our Turnips and David and Polly set out for Chester Polly is intend to stay and help her Uncle Majr Tolfords folks to Spin Wool

DECEMBER FIRST

I Run lines for Mr Richardson that lives near to Esqr Blodget and Mr Abel Wright

2d I Run lines for Samll Moor on his Low land which paid for a bushell of Corn I had from him last Summer and some odd boards at the last of our Divide of Boards this faul that he let me have

4th the boys got some wood and I went & fell a tree on joseph Barrons land to make fellows for a pair of Cart wheels

5th the boys and I with the Team went and hauled them to Lt Orrs mill the one log was 17 feet long and the other 26 it was a crotcht tree we had a pair of Oxen from Lt Orr to help with the longest stick

6th I went to Samll Moors mill with 1½ bushell of corn and as much Rie and had it ground and we got 3 £ of shugar from joseph Bell on credit

7th WAS THANKSGIVEING THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES BY ORDER OF CONGRESS

8th I Run lines for Zeccheus Richardson & Abel Wright for what I did today and the 1st Instant I charged them 32-8-0 to be paid in Equal halves and Wright paid me 15 £ of his half and afterward I writ a Deed from Richardson to jonathan Wood and took the acknowledgement for which and the time I spent with them on the affair I charged them 40 Dollars neither of them could pay me which makes Richardsons part of my whole service 74 Dollars and the Wood part of the Deed 20 Dollars and Wright is 4 Dollars behind of his part

9th I writ a Deed from Sarah Barnett to Ensn Chubbuck Junr of her part of her fathers Estate and an Obligation from john Barnett to him for a Deed of his part of his fathers Estate Chubbuck promised to pay me the whole

11th We hauled three Sticks of Cherry tree up the bank at Crosbys brook

12th I went and got an ash knot out by Asa Barnses

13th I got 3 £ of shugar from joseph Bell for which I paid him 9 £ and I paid him 9 £ for the 3 £ I had from him 6th Instant and I went out to our camp that was burned and brot home the Iron things we had there

15th I went with james Cairns and laid off to Col Moor 57 acres of the

lott No 82 a 3d Division and allowed it to be a days work and we afterward laid off to Deacon Moor 27 acres of the lott No 3 in the 11th Rang and allowed half a days work for that and in the Evening I writ both the Deeds and took both the acknowledgements Cairns is to Receive my pay toward what land I bot at Vendue from him and the two Deeds he is to allow me in our acct above my 1½ days service

16th I got a quart of Rum from james Thompson for which I paid 16 Dollars and David and I went with Cairns to get the land I bot off Capt Stinsons but was disappointed by Alexander Gillcrists being from home

18th I held a court at Chandlers between Robert Morril Compt and David Cargill Houston Respt and Compt Quashed for that in the Compt he was called only David Houston I had ½ a mug of Tody for which I paid 4 Dollars

19th I went to Samuel Moors mill with 1½ bushell of corn and had it ground and I writ a Deed from Samuell Barnett to Ensign Chubbuck Junior and I took the acknowledgement Chubbuck promised to pay the whole and I writ two leases for old Ensign Chubbuck of his wifes 3ds in her late husbands Estate in Abington to be paid in Cooper work

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM DECEMBER 19th 1780

20th I writ a Deed from Hannah Barnett Samll and Sarah Barnett to Ensign Chubbuck junr and I took the acknowledgements Chubbuck is to pay and went and cut an Ash knot in the west end of Wm McAllesters land

21st I went to Sheds to get him to Lay 2 axes for me and tarried there over night

22d Shed laid the two Axes for me and I paid him 110 Dollars and john McAllester put a new blade in a jack knife handle of mine and I got a side of upper leather from Stephen French toward my Cow hide and what he owes me

23d It fell about six inches of snow and I put a new handle into one of the Axes shed laid for me yesterday

25th there fell a snow of 8 or 9 inches deep in the forenoon I writ a Deed from john McConihe to john Aiken junr and took the acknowledgement and Notes for which they paid me 37 Dollars and the afternoon and Evening I writ three Deeds of Quitclaim among the heirs of Lieut Gillmores Estate

26th I writ a bond from Timothy Kimbell to james Moor

30th I got a Meat Barrel from Isaac Atwood toward which I took three bushell of Turnips and the Remainder of the price is to be paid in Turnips

JANUARY FIRST 1781

We butchered the pig we got from Mr Shed last May it weighed 111 £ and another Barrow he weighed 161 £ And I got 3 £ of shugar from joseph Bell for which I paid him 30 Dollars and I took 1½ bushell of Indian corn to Samll Moors mill and had it Ground & I writ a Deed from Martha McInnosh to Ensn jonathan Cumings and took the acknowledgement she allowed Cumings to have the Deed if he would pay the charge

of it and I gave Robt Ushar a summons for some witnesses to take their Depositions tomorrow at Timothy Taylors in his sons case with john McClenche

2d I went to Timothy Taylors and took five Depositions for Ushar 4 of them in his sons case and one for himself I got home between Midnight and Day break for which he promised to pay me

3d I lent old Ensn Chubbuck two Strick fulls of a pewter quart Bason of salt

4th I went to Amherst and did some Probate business the Register gave me 55 Dollars but said it was not my part and I lodged at Mr Smiths

5th I attended the Sessions My Expences was 26-8-0 and I got a thousand of Nails for Nailing pail hoops from Mr Fish for old Ensn Chubbuck and my self he sent 60 Dollars and I paid 80 Dollars for the 1000 I had Morrils Mare to Ride over

6th I got a small side of Sole leather from james Eaton of 11¼ £ weight I am to pay him in about four weeks it is to be 24 Dollars pr £ amounting to 270 Dollars

8th I got another side of Sole leather from Eaton on condition that if I could have sparance where Eaton owed the money I am to keep it if not I am to Return it this week & I cleaned 2 bushell of Rie

9th I went to Samll Moors mill with two bushell of Rie and 1½ bushell of corn and had it ground

10th The boys got a load of wood and hauled it to james Doke and cut it up at his house for the fire

11th David and I went and took 4 Cuts of cherry tree to john Wallaces mill and we brot home 50 sticks for studs that we had there that was sawed a year ago last spring of white oak and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for a man from Col : Goffes for which the man paid me 8 Dollars

12th I cleaned 5 bushell of Rie

13th I took 4 bushells of my Rie to Nathll Holt for the 4 bushell I borrowed from john McIntosh the 24th of last june to pay for a bushell of salt he had from Holt this faul or winter

15th I helped the boys to cut 4 board logs and David with team hauled 3 logs to the River and I writ a Deed from Amaziah Pollard to Ensign Chubbuck junr and I took the acknowledgement Pollard promised to pay me for the Deed and I writ a Deed from Chubbuck of the same lott to two Abington men

16th Ensign Chubbuck come and Signed the Deed I writ for him last night and I took the acknowledgement and he paid me 50 Dollars toward what writings I have done for him and I writ a Deed for him from john Barnett which is the 5th Deed I have writ for him since he began his purchas in Barnetts Estate

17th james Thrashed Rie and David and Alexander got wood and I went to Thos Boies and borrowed his Timber Chain

18th I took 2 bushell of corn and 1½ of Rie to Samll Moors mill but could not get it ground

19th I went and got the meal of the grain I took to Samll Moors mill

yesterday and I took 1½ bushell of turnips to james Gillmore a present and Ensign Chubbuck and john Barnett came and Barnett signed the deed I writ the 16th and I took the acknowledgt and Chubbuck gave me 30 Dollars for it

20th joseph Patten and his fathers 6 oxen and Wm McLaughlin and his fathers 2 oxen we halled one oak Stick to the River and then we got Martins 4 oxen and hauled another stick to the little bridge after a great deal of fatigue and was obliged to leave it there and we went & got another oak to the River we broke my Brors and Mr Martins Sleds

22d David mended my brors Sled and I mended Mr Martins and sent them both home by night with our Oxen

23d a tedious Storm of snow from the N. E. it fell a foot deep it drifted much

25th I cleaned 13½ bushells of Rie and my Brors son joseph helped james to Saw some logs off and David broke to the River with the team twice

26th he went twice to the River with the team and he took our wood Sled to Dokes for him to load part of his things to go to Derry

27th David set off with the team for Derry with part of Dokes Goods before day break and I sent 2½ bushell of Rie to Alexander McMurphy which is the last of the pay for the Cloath we had from him faul was a year and I sent a barrell for Vinigar to Robt McMurphys

29th I attended at Thos Boies at the desire of Robt Walker to Swear the Evidences in the dispute between him and Wm Kennedy concerning some upper leather and David came home and brot a Barrel of Vinegar from his Uncle Robt McMurphys

30th I went at james Underwoods desire to lay off part of john Platts Estate to satisfy an Execution on Chevir had against him and Underwood and I tarried at Esqr McGregores over night we could not finish

31st Samll Moor and james Thompson and me finished we laid an acre of land and the barn my pay was 100 £ and I paid my Expences they were 15–18–0 and Col Kelley paid them and the Remainder is yet due to me being 84–2–0

FEBRUARY 2d

I paid Adam Dickey 80–5–0 being the Remainder of the Rates on Wm Barnetts heirs pr james Hidens Verbal order on acct of Sole leather I had from james Eaton who owed Hiden

7th We hauled 3 oak sticks to the River and a large yellow pine log and my brors sons john and joseph and their 3 pair of Oxen helped us draw two long Oaks and Majr Goffe and his four oxen and Wm McLaughlin and his fathers two oxen helped us all day and in the Evening james Underwood paid me 84–2–0 being the Remainder that was due to me for my service in laying off part of john Platts Estate to Satisfy an Execution the 31st of last month

8th David and our 4 oxen went to draw timber for james Martin for Majr Goffes helping us yesterday

14th I went to Chandlers and got a pint and half of Rum and an Earthen Coffee pot on credit

15th I went to Sheds and got him to make a new Eye for an Ax that broke off yesterday of his iron I let him have the old Eye and I could not pay him anything for his doing it

16th I hewed some at Ranging timber and David took 3 oaks logs to the River which contained 112 feet on the 10th Instant I paid james Hiden 180 £ for james Eaton which paid the two sides of Sole leather I had from Eaton this winter viz on the 6th and 8th of last january and Dollars over and Hiden Endorsed the note to me And yesterday I got a bushell of Indian corn from Zechariah Chandler toward my Services with him and the other heirs of his fathers Estate in showing them their lands in this town and Runing lines for them Several years ago which he was to pay

19th I got two Earthen Platers from Zechariah Chandler on credit and David Cargill Houston made 45 board nails for me of my iron I did not pay him anything for makeing them and Alexr took two bushell of Rie to Samll Moors Mill but could not get it ground

20th Robert went and brot home the meal of the Rie that Alexr took to mill yesterday And james and I went to Capt Chamberlins with the Team and I got 16 Bushell of Indian corn on credit I am to pay it when I make a turn of the timber the boys and I have got to the River it is 60 Dollars pr bushell I had 12 bushells of it ground at his mill and 4 of it I brot home unground and I had ½ a bowl of W: I: tody at McGaws for which I paid Six Dollars

21st I sent Alexr to joseph Bells and got 2 £ of Shugar of which he paid 11 Dollars and the other 9 I owe him

26th I went to Chandlers and took 7 Depositions for Majr Goffe in his case with Dolton I made no charge

27th I went to Amherst to attend the Superior court on my case with Deacon Moor the Deacon was lame and the case was continued and I lodged at Smiths & I attended on a case of Refferance by order of the Inferiour court between john and Adam johnson and Rachel Sewel as attorney for her father gave me a Silver Dollar toward my Expences

28th I was detained an Evidence in Goffes case with Dolton and I came as far as Capt Lovejoys and lodged there my Expences at Smiths was 16-10-0 and at Docr Stevens 3-6-0 and at Capt Lovejoys 7-16-0 and I got 40 Dollars of Probate fees and the Regr and I settled for what fees each of us had Recd at our houses and at Amherst and I had my part and some little more I cant say how much and I came home

MARCH 3d

I went to Thos Boies and settled with the selectmen for my Drawing a plan of Bedford for them and some other services I had charged them 13 bushell of corn we settled it at 40 Dollars pr bushell which came to 156 £ they gave me an Order on Capt McLaughlin for the money which answered my Rates to him with twelve Dollars I had given him in cash and 50-18-10 over

5th Capt McLaughlin paid me the ballance of my order Except 3/10 which we could not make the change for which I gave him and I went to Samll Moors mill with two bushell of Rie and had it ground and I writ a Bond

for Ensn Chubbuck junr from Molly and Sam^{ll} Barnett to him & a note to be paid by Chubbuck

6th I set out for Almsbury ferry to get A bushell of Salt and 32 £ of Cotton wool from joseph Tylor being the Remainder of the price of what timber and logs David got last winter and lodged at Majr Tolfords

7th was a tedious snow storm from the N: E: and the wind very high and Drifted much

8th set out and arrived at the ferry in the Evening and lodged at Mr Pearsons Tavern

9th I got the bushell of Salt and the 32 £ of Cotton from Tylor and came to Mr Chases and lodged there

10th I came home my Expences was 119 Dollars I traded a bunch of fine thread my wife sent with me for 4 £ of Coffie and ½ a bunch for 24 Dollars toward my Expences at Mr Chases and bot 6 £ and 10 ounces of Coffie for which 78 Dollars and I bot a pair of yarn stockings for which I paid 40 Dollars

12th I went to Mr Holts and from there to Mr Alexanders after a pair of Tow Cards that Robert Ushar had got for me for my takeing Depositions for him and his son Abijah Alexander had brot them to his house and I got them there

13th I paid Mrs Chandler a pound of Coffee I borrowed from her a fortnight or three weeks ago and I borrowed the full of our Shugar dish of shugar from her

14th Morral brot us 3 ¾ £ of shugar from Majr McQuestons I had sent 30 Dollars with him and the shugar came to 2 Dollars more which I paid him

23^{d} I went to Sam^{ll} Moors Mill with 3 bushell of Rie and had it Ground and had Morrill Mare to carrie it and I went to Esqr McGregores and had ½ a Mug of Tody I paid two Dollars of the price the other two we could not make change to pay it The boys and have worked at geting Ranging timber we have got 6040 feet Board measure to the River this morning

24th I went to Lieut Orrs mill and sticked up a stock of boards he sawed he said they measured 490 feet but he called them 450 we got a stock from there day before yesterday that measured 390 he called them we have a log that they were sawing when I was there that Orr is to have in pay toward the two Stocks we have got and out of what boards was comeing to me of what he Sawed last spring I have ordered him to let Nathaniel Patterson have 400 feet the Remainder being 329 feet he is to have toward the two Stocks we have got now

26th we had one of our Steer calves Died

28th our old Horse Died

31st And the 29th we halled as much Ranging timber to the River as made with what we had haulled before 7505 feet and Eben^{r} Hacket Returned the Inventory of his brors Estate and paid me 40 Dollars for it

APRIL 2d

A very heavy storm of Snow from the Northeast it fell about a foot deep

3d stormed on of Snow and Rain and I granted Guardianship of Stephen Woods to james Vose he paid the fees being 40 Dollars

5th I went to Amherst and attended the Probate Court and lodged at Mr Smiths

6th Did some probate business and attended on the sessions and the Regr and I Settled for what fees we Recd Since Janry Term I had Recd 48 £ and my part came to 53 £ more which he paid me and I paid Mr Smith my Expences which was 18 £ and bot ¼ £ of peper and a Gimblet from Mr Means for which I paid him 42 Dollars and I came to Capt Lovejoys and lodged there

7th I came home in the forenoon my Expences there was 10-16-0 ON the 5th my brors son joseph and young Samll Vose helped David and Alexr to butcher our Sow she weighed 240 £ and the afternoon they swingled flax the helped us on Thos Lanceys acct for my service I had done for him

9th I attended on laying off a peice of john Platts estate to satisfie an Execution to one Chiver the sum was 1525-3-4 we cutt off the house and about 9 or 10 acres of land Capt McLaughlin and Mr Clement of Goffestown were the other two my fee was 45 £ james Underwood gave me his Note for it

10th I granted a License to Doctor Fox to Sell josiah Woods estate in Goffestown and he Returned the Inventory of josiah Woods Estate the fees for the whole 24 £ unpaid

11th I got two new boat hooks from William Newman toward the price of the Cow I let him have between two and three years ago

13th we began to Raft our Ranging timber and I got 5 ½ Quarts of Molasses and two pounds of Coffee from Wm McAllester for my service for him the 17th of last October

13 & 14th We Rafted I assisted Robt and David the afternoon

16th joseph Patten helped us and we finished Rafting

18th john Wallace let his hands come and help our boys over with all our Raft into Rands Edy and I got my brors Son Samll from Lieut Orrs service and we set off and landed at Widow Colburns a little after sun set and we lodged there

19th We took the Raft to the head of the falls in the morning and then Samll and our sons (viz) james Robt and David set out for home and Samll Robt and David came home and james tarried in Litchfield at Capt Parkers and I lodged at Majr Varnums

20th I agreed With Capt Russell for our Raft in the following manner he is to give me for the Oak timber three quarters of what it brings at Newbury and he is to give the half of the boards that the pine logs makes at the same place and the Ranging timber I am to pay the catching and Rafting at Pentucket and I am to have the whole of it at the same place there is 26 Tun and 25 feet of Oak timber & 28 Tun and 22 feet of pine logs beside one old white pine log which I suppose will make 200 or 200 & ½ of boards and there is 7500 feet of Ranging timber Board measure he is to sell the whole and to make the pay to me and I paid my Expences at Majr Varnums which was 27 Dollars and at Widow Colburns which 85

Dollars and came to Capt Parkers and lodged there my Expences on the Road at Spaldings was 3 Dollars

21st I came home and yesterday Robt and David Rafted for Lieut Orr to pay for Samll Pattens two days he was with me to Pentucket I gave james 24 Dollars to help bear their Expences home there was feet of boards on the Raft and feet of 2 inch yellow pine plank on it for scuting and going on it Capt Russell got our four Oars which were of good white Ash and well made and he is to pay for them over and above I Owe Capt Samll Moor for one quart and pint and half of Rum and a Mug of Egg Tody on acct of our Rafting business and I Owe Zechariah Chandler 2 Mugs of West India Tody and ½ a mug of Egg tody and a Glass of Cherry Rum and I owe jacob McGaw ½ a mug of W: I: Tody and all on the acct of our Rafting

26th I got Wm Newman to put a peice of iron across the shoulders of my Dung fork and a new tang and two Rings for our two dung forks and two nails for nailing them in the handles

27th I got Wm Newman to put a peice of Iron on the point of my seed Shear and sharpen it and the Coulter

MAY 2d

I sent two bushell of Rie to Deacon Smiths mill but could not get it Ground but Smiths folks lent us some meal and to take it when ours is ground I had my brors mare

3d WAS FAST THROUGH THE STATE

4th I went to Litchfield and got 4 bushell of Indian corn from Wm Patterson I sent 3⅓ of a Dollar in Silver to him by my james which paid it I took Robts horse to Reads ferry and he viz Patterson sent a boy and a horse and brot it to the ferry for me and I brot it to Mr. Alexanders and left it there

5th I got two pound of Shugar from joseph Bell on credit and I sowed 26½ Quarts of Flax seed by Frenches and some Siberian wheat there allso but dont know how much and I took the corn that I brot from Litchfield yesterday to Deacon Smiths mill and got two bushel of it ground and the two bushell of Rie that Alexr took there the 2d and brot it home

7th I took two bushell of Rie to Deacon Smiths mill and had it ground and the two bushell of corn I left there the 5th and paid Smith the meal they lent us the 2d Instant and the Rest of the 4 bushell I brot home and I writ a bond for Ensn Chubbuck junr and a Note which he is to pay

8th A Rainy day from the Northeasterly Quarter

9th it began to Rain very hard yesterday a little before night and continued on all night and almost all this day and Snowed in the afternoon it fell very fast and fell an inch or two deep and I got the shoes set on Robts horse at james Houstons shop by his sons the father set the price which was a quarter of a Dollar the old way I could not pay it for want of money

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MAY 9th 1781

14th I went Litchfield and got 4 bushells of Indian Corn from William Patterson on Credit and he lent me the 3⅓ of a Dollar I had paid him in

Silver for the 4 bushells of Indian corn I got from him the 4th Instant and I sent his boy and horse with it to Reads ferry my ferriage was 4 Dollars and I took the four bushells to Deacon Smiths Mill and had it ground and brot it home

15th I spent a considerable time last night and this morning with one Lemuel Blanchard of Cambridge and writ a letter of considerable length to the Register on his acct about some Probate Business for which he paid 75 Dollars and I went to Litchfield and I got 4 bushells of Indian corn from Ensn Quig for which I paid him 3⅓ of a Dollar in silver and he sent his boy with Peter Pattersons mare to Reads ferry with it I gave the boy 4 Dollars and I paid 4 Dollars for my ferriage and I paid McGaw 12 Dollars for a jill of Rum jos Patten had and ½ a bowle of tody I had when we took down our Raft and I brot the corn to Deacon Smiths Mill and got it ground and I got the Toal of this 4 bushell from him and the Toal of the 4 bushell I got ground there yesterday for which I paid him 31 Dollars and I brot this four bushell and the ½ bushell of Toal home in meal

17th I sowed the Remainder of the ½ bushell of Siberian wheat that Robt McMurphy gave me on some of our last years potatoe land south of the Barn

18th I filled Deed from Nathll Williams to Zechariah Lawrance of the old Rowan place in Newboston and other writings for which I charged them 50 Dollars and they paid me the money

19th I went to Litchfield and got 4 Bushell of Rie from David Quig for which I paid him three Dollars in Silver and 75 Dollars in paper money and I brot it to Deacon Smiths mill and had it ground and I had the Toal but I could not pay him my ferriage was 4 Dollars and I had ½ a mug of Tody at McGaws for which I paid 4 Dollars

21st I went to Deacon Smiths mill with four bushells of Rie of our own and had it ground and I had the Toal and paid him for it and the Toal of the 4 bushels I had ground there the 19th and for the Toal of a bushel and 7½ quarts of Rie I have to take there yet of our own Rie the sum was 36 Dollars and we planted the peice we have by Frenches and the two peices north from the house which were Cowyards about 1½ acre in all being the first this year

22d I took the 1 bushell and 7½ quarts of Rie to Deacon Smiths mill and had it ground and I went to Robt Ushars after a pair of Cotton Cards he was to get for me towards my takeing Depositions for him but did not get them

23d I went to Amherst on a letter from Col Baldwin to try a Case between Mr Barnard and on Geo: Bishop they settled the matter by Evening but so late I could not come home and I tarried at Mr Smiths

24th I came home my Expences was 50 Dollars which I could not pay and I got two Gimblets from Mr Means for which I paid him 30 Dollars and I went to joseph Bells and got two £ of Shugar and settled with him for all the shugar I have had from him on credit which with the two £ today came to 75 Dollars and I gave him 50 Dollars and I owe him 25 yet

25th I knit at an Ell net was a Considerable of Rain

28th we backt a peice of land furrow to furrow and planted it with Corn

which finished what corn we mean to plant this spring and we planted some Beans and I went out by the Brushy meadow and got an ash to make Scoop net Bows

29th I granted administration on the Estate of Frances McCoy to Samuel Farrington I went to Esq McGregores to do the business for my going and doing the business I charged 90 Dollars and he paid me and I catched 9 shad and gave Farrington one and Thos Cochran one and I brot the other 7 home and one that David got and am to pay a mug of Cydar for him that he had from Thos Karr for the shad I had of his and I gave james 77 Dollars to Divide between him and Robert and David for Election tomorrow

31st the boys and I got 20 Shad and got them hom

JUNE 1st

I got 17 shad at the new setting place and 19 eels that Robt got last night I brot home in the Evening I had a jill of Rum at Esqr McGregores for which I paid five Dollars

5th I went to the falls in the morning for what Eels the boys got last night and I paid two Mugs of Tody and a Glass of Rum at Esqr McGregores and I lost all the money I had left which was 196 Dollars that I am certain of & Shilling bill of the Bay State but how I cant tell

6th I fished at the new setting place and I got 8 shad and 22 Eelwives and an Eell and I changed them with Samll Farrington for four 5ths of a bushell of corn I got a bushel and almost 6 quarts from him I am to have the over plus at 60 Dollars pr bushell and to leave the money with Thos Karr and Farrington Returned the Inventory of Frances McCoys Estate and paid me 60 Dollars

7th a Considerable Rain and the night before I got 14 Eels at the setting place and Robt got 87 on the Island and David went with the horse and brot them home

8th I fished at the new setting place I got for my Divide 1 shad and 13 Ellwives and an Eell and I had ½ a mug of Grog at Esqr McGregores for which I paid 5 Dollars and I left 23 Dollars with Thos Karr for Mr Farrington for the Remainder of the corn I had from him the 6th with the bag I got it in according to our agreement

11th I went to the Falls to fish at Our setting place but the River was so high that I could not and I went and stickt up the Cherry tree boards that john Wallace sawed for me this Spring and on the 2d Instant I got 2 new Shoes made of my Iron for Robt horses hind feet att sheds and 3 Set which I forgot to Enter in its proper place and after I had Stickt up the boards at Wallaces mill I went To Timothy Kimballs to Rectify A mistake that was made between him and James Moor in Signing their deeds but they were both from home and this day james and David went out to Cut down Wood on the Dow land and Robt went to cut down on the lott he workt on last year

13th I went out with two loaves of bread to the boys and I went to the falls but got no Eels

15 I went to the falls and Alexr and I fished at the new setting place and

Robt and fished one of our Rights at the Eell place and he put on Robt Gilcrest on the other Robt got 27 Eells and Alexr got 16 and I paid ten Dollars of Expences at Esqr McGregores

16th james and I went to the falls and we got 25 Eels on the Island

18th all the 4 boys and I went to the falls and jas David Alexr and I got 31 Eels and we let Stephen French have them and Robt got 25 and sold them to Robt Spear

19th and 20th we weeded at our corn and we finished except the potatoes and james and David went to cuting down treas where they were out clearing in the 3d Rang

25th we hoed our potatoes and in the Afternoon I heard the petitioners for haveing james Vose put out from being Guardian for Stephen Woods my judgement was not to put him out I charged 3 Dollars the old way and submited it to themselves what Discount to give me in continental bills they gave me 230 Dollars which was 76 and ⅓ for one They appealed from my judgement for which they gave me of their own accord 25 Dollars I had a Mug of Tody at Chandlers after the affair was over for which I paid 16 Dollars

26th it began to Rain in the afternoon and Rained a great quantity the night following

27th William Newman laid a peice of iron on a steple of an yoke irons and welded the Ring they were both much worn

28th Newman made a new hook of my iron for one of my Draft chains and Shut several links in that and another chain And I went out to 8 and 9 in the 1st Rang with one Wm Fish and Thos Stearns of Tuwxbury and showed them the lotts for which they paid me 3 Dollars of the new Emission

JULY FIRST

I set out for Dracut to see Capt Russell about our timber and I went by the way of Londonderry and heard Mr Murrey preach at Mr Davidsons meeting house and I went to Pelham and lodged at Lieut Hardys

2d I went to Capt Russells but got no pay and I came home my Expences was 115 Dollars I bot 2 £ of shugar from Majr McQueston for which I paid him 54 Dollars

4th Shed made one new shoe for the One of the horses hind feet and welded the toe of one of the fore feet shoes and put a peice on the toe of it and set three shoes on his feet

5th I went to Amherst and attended the Sessions and the Probate Court I Recd ½ a Dollar in Silver and a two Dollar bill of the new Emission with what I Recd Since last Probate day made the Register and I even my Expences was 36 £ old continental money for my Dinner horse at pasture about 7 hours and a Glass of W: I: Rum

6th I got 515 continental Dollars from old Mrs McLaughlin for which I am to pay her one Dollar of the new Emission for each 80 of it and I got 54 of Robt and 22 of Alexr and 10 of jeans and Sarahs and with what I had of my own I went and paid the Constable james Vose 760 Dollars toward our Rates which amounted to 19 Dollars of the new Emission and I paid

joseph Bell 30 Dollars of old money for 25 I owed being all I owed him him for what shugar I had from him on credit

8th I set out for Newburyport heard Mr Murry preach in Londonderry lodged at Robt McMurphys

9th Arrived at Newbury port lodged at Mr William Prices

10th Waited all day for Capt Stephen Russell who did not come

11th Capt Russell arrived in the forenoon and I got a barrel of N: E: Rum and the barrell it Gaged 32¼ Gallon and 61 £ of Coffee and 21¾ £ of Shugar and 12 Dollars of the new Emission toward the timber Capt Russell had from us this Spring and Capt Russell brot the Rum to Haverhill for me and I set of for home at ½ past 4 in the afternoon I bot a Pound of Soap for which I paid a new paper Dollar and ½ an Oz of snuff for which I paid five copers

12th I arrived home in the Evening my Expences was 156–6–0 of the old money

13th I went to Robt Spears in Goffestown and lent him 237 Dollars of continental old money for which he is to pay me New money when he sells the fine cloath his wife is now makeing

15th Mr Davidson preached in Bedford there was a fine Rain

18th I writ a Deed from Benj Buxton to his son jonathan

19th I through mistake went to Gearfields to attend on a hearing between john and Lemuel Blanchard and come by Mr Holts and sent to Mr Buxton who came and signed the deed to his son and I took the acknowledgement for which and the deed jona made two shoes and set them on Robts horse

20th I went to Gearfields to hear the affair between the above said Blanchards Lemuel moved for a continuance which I granted to the 24th of September next the Regr and I charged five hard Dollars in the lieu of which Lemuel paid 20 new Emission dollars which we Divided even and I granted Admn on john Harvils Estate to his widow for which we Recd 10/ in hard money the Regr gave me 4/ and David and Alexr broke up and had two pair of Oxen of my bror Samll helping and he had one pair of our Oxen 2½ Days helping him plow

21st 23d and ½ of the 24th we broke up and finished the peice north by the Run and we had two pair of my brors Oxen helping us 4 days in all at this breaking up

25th we hilled at the corn and Robt came home in the forenoon and helped us

26th Robt and David went to the little meadow and I went to Londonderry and got Wm Lyon to promis to bring the barrel of Rum from Haverhill that Capt Russell left there for me and I came home a little before day

27th and 28th we worked at geting hay and Robt Carted home two load

30th I went to Lyons and brot home the barrell of Rum with our young oxen

31st I carted home two load of hay and I let Mr Shed have by the hand of his wifes mother Mrs Johnson two gallon of Rum seven pound of Coffee and 4¼ £ of Shugar and I lett Samuell Goffe have 1¼ quart of Rum and to john McIntosh a Glass bottle full of Rum

AUGUST 1st

let Sam^{ll} Goffe have 1¼ quart of Rum and Silas Walker 5 Gallon and one quart of Rum and I brot home two load of hay

2^{d} I Run lines for john McIntosh for which he is to Reap for me And Lieut Philip Ferrin got three Gallon of Rum by Mr Sheds boy it is to be charged to Mr Shed

3^{d} Robt and Alex^{r} went to Reap at Rob^{ts} Rie and I Raked hay at the little meadow and David brot home two load from there he had his uncles young oxen

4th I went And helped Robt to Reap and we finished he had 10 stooks and 3 sheaves and David brot home a load of hay with our own team

6th we began to Reap our Rie at home and I let james Walker junr have a Gallon of Rum and let Sam^{ll} Goffe have two quarts of Rum

7th john McIntosh Reaped for me toward my Runing lines for him the 2d Instant

8th I let james Mathes have a Gallon of Rum and I lent john McIntosh a quart of Rum and I lent old Mrs Morrill a glass bottle full of Rum and I let Sam^{ll} Morrison have a pint of Rum with 5½ quarts he got the 3d Instant makes 1½ Gallon and I let Capt Sam^{ll} Moors wife have three pounds of Coffee to be settled in the acct of 1¾ quart of Rum and a mug of Egg Rum we had when we Rafted last spring and two ferriages of my Self and horse and two of a pair of Oxen and myself twice over

9th I paid Z Chandler a Glass bottle full of Rum that I borrowed from him a little before I got up our barrel of Rum and we carted in our Rie we have but 24 stooks and Robt thrashed a stook and 10 sheaves and had a bushel and peck and we brot home our flax there was 58 shoak of it and brot home a load of hay from the little meadow

10th I paid Z Chandler 1½ pint of Rum which I got from him the 14th of last Febr and I brot two load of hay from the Meadow

11th I brot two load of hay from the meadow and we got it all into cock and Robt Mowed in the meadow at home being the first this year

13th last night and this morning was a fine Rain being the first Rain we have had since the 19th of july which is 24 days the Drought has been very Severe for the length of the time the weather very hot day and night I got james Houston and his son Isaac to make seven cart nails and a beal for our Dish Kittle of my Iron

17th we got in the last of our hay out of the meadow at home we had Six jags in all

18th I let Mr Nathan Shed have 8 £ of Coffee more which makes 15 £ I have let him have in all and I got a pair of Cotton Cards from Robt Ushar

20th last night was a prety Refreshing Rain but not a Great quantity and I writ my Deposition for Robert Ushar concerning what on Mays Evidenced on the trial of Abijah Ushar and David and Alex^{r} thrashed off our Flaxseed and I cleaned it we have three bushells of it

21st David and Alex^{r} Thrashed our Siberian wheat and I cleaned it we have 2½ bushell of it we had four stooks of it and the Girls spread out our flax to Dew Rott

22d David and Alexr Thrashed 4 stooks of Rie and cleaned up 1½ bushell and I took it and about twenty one or two quarts of Siberian wheat to Samll Moors mill and got it ground and I brot home the Island Eell net and our setting place net

23d I went to james Moors in Goffestown and Rectified a mistake that was made in signing his and Timothy Kimballs Deeds and Timothy Kimball paid me two pound of Cotton for my Dividing moors farm and writings done the 28th of last Novbr I charged them nothing for my time a Rectifying the mistake which cost me three journeys up there

25th I went to Lieut Orrs and got 3 £ of shugar two pound of which I paid him for in Eells last june the other pound I owe him for

27th I took three Depositions for james Underwood in the case that Morril sued him and I took three Depositions for john Bell in the case that he sued Morril and David helped Majr Goffe break up with our four Oxen for his helping us a day to draw pine logs some time last Febry or March

28th David and Alexr Thrashed some in the Afternoon and I mowed some at the bushess between and the meadow

29th I cleaned up 2½ bushells of Rie and Sund it

30th I had Frenches old horse and went to Samll Moors mill with the 2½ bushells I cleaned yesterday and got it ground yesterday I granted Administration on Nathan Chandler late of Boscawen Decd to his Widow Susanna for which she paid me 10/8 in silver

31st was a fine shower about the middle of the day and I cut the inside of my left leg with my Gubing hoe a considerable large cut on the small of the leg and gave William Fish his note he left with me the 28th of last June against Nathll Kittredge for 32 £ of clover seed

SEPTEMBER FIRST

I got two Sow pigs from Matthew McDuffee which I owe him for

4th I writ a letter to the Register concerning some orders from Court Relateing the Confiscated Estates

5th james Underwood brot his Mare to me to go to Litchfield to do some busines for him and I went and lodged at Quigs

6th I got 17 ½ £ of pork from Widow Harvill toward which I paid her two Silver Dollars and I paid my ferriage for going and coming and for my comeing over there the 2d of last july to Mrs Durrah and three coppers over

8th Capt McLaughlins son james helped us and we laid up 40 lengths of Log fence toward enclosing the ground we broke up this Summer

11th was a pretty Refreshing Rain in the afternoon and I went to the Raising of john And joseph Saw mill

12th Alexr and our 4 oxen workt for james Houston all day to be settled in our acct

17th The boys carted in the Stalks and I went to Derryfield to lay of land for james Gorman that he sold as Constable for Taxes and lodged at Lieut Halls

18th was a great Rain and we could not work and I came home in the Evening

19th I sowed the new broke up ground I sowed 5 bushell and about 3 pecks on it and the old Cow yard and David and Alexr harrowed at it the afternoon with my brors harrow and james cleaned the last of our crop of Rie ther was 12 bushell of it

20th 21st & 22d I Run lines for james Gorman in Derryfield

24th I went Amherst to hear Lemuel Blanchards complaint against his Bror john Lem: paid me two silver dollars for my trouble and he paid the Regr as much he had paid the for the hearing before we finished at midnight

25th we Granted Admir on the Estate of Wm Peters to Timothy Gile on Esqr for which he paid 10/6 and the Regr took it and allowed me the fees I tock on Nathan Chandler Admr as my part of both and he gave me ¼ my part of fees for a Wart to divide the estate of josiah Blanchard and I bot a gimblet and ½ a ouz of snuff from Means for which I paid him ⅓ my Expences was 7/3 at Mr Smiths in Silver L: M: and I came home in the evening

26th I split 42 Rails on the Ministerial land

27th 28th and 29th I Run lines for james Gorman in Derryfield of the land he sold for Taxes and Doctor Fox gave my wife a Silver Dollar toward the pay for the Return of the Inventory of josiah Woods Estate and a Warrant to sell the Real Estate

OCTOBER FIRST

There was a case before me at my house between William Fisk of Tewxbury Plant & Nathaniel Kittridge of Goffestown Deft they Deft became Defaulted and paid 15/4 of the cost I Recd 4/9 my part of the cost and I adjourned the Court to the 29th Instant at 10 of the clock aforenoon at my house

4th I went to Amherst and attended the Sessions and I took 12/3 fees at the Probate Court the Regr was not there my Expences was 0: 1: 10 and I came home in the Evening

9th We got in the last of our corn

On the 3d I got a barrel of Cydar from james Bell for some Services I did for him in a differance between him and his Bror Gordon I signed a Wart and writ a letter and Spent a good deal of time

12 We ground our Apples at my brors mill we got off about 4 ½ barrels of clear cydar and I put on 4 pails full of Water and we got off above a barrel

15th I went to Mr Majors in Derryfield and I got 14 £ of shugar for which I paid a Dollar and two pistereens and Robt jones began to make shoes for us

18th john Stevens Returned the Inventory of Stephen Saunders Estate and I gave him a wart to set off the widows dower for which he paid me 8/

19th jane Sarah and I went a Chesnuting we got about ½ a bushel and we borrowed a quarter of Beaf off Robt Morril that weighed 51 £

20th I writ a Deed from Isaac Atwood to john Bell junr and a letter to Mark Wentworth for john Vickere and I took the acknowledgement all unpaid

23d I got 2 bushells of Indian corn and a bushel of Rie ground at Samlr Moors mill and the afternoon I held a Court between Wm Moor the 2d of this town Compt and Wm Patterson of L: Derry Respt I adjourned the case to the 14th of next December at 12 o clock at noon to Chandlers

24th Mr jones has made Six pair of shoes for us and a pair of slippers for my wife Robt paid for the makeing of his pair and he gave the makeing of two pair and he found 4 pair of heels his charge was 9/ for all and I paid him the money

27th I writ a pair of leases for Ensign Chubbuck of his wifes 3ds in Abington to be paid in Cooper work

30th and 31st and Novbr 1st and ⅔ of the 2d was a laying off land for james Gorman in Derryfield that he sold for taxes the 1st and 2d David workt at Piscataquog Bridge

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM NOVEMBER 2d 1781

5th We broke up by Frenches and james Walker and their 4 oxen helped us and we had james Wallaces pair of oxen both days and we got 2 quarts of Rum from my Brother john

7th and 8th David and our 4 oxen and breaking up plow helped james Walker break up

9th james Walker helped us to break up and we had two pair of my brothers oxen helping us and we had a quart of Rum from john Patten

10th I went to Deacon Smiths mill with 2 ½ bushell of corn and 1 ½ of Rie I let him have a pound of Tobacca and I am to have the Toal

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On the 6th I went to Thomas Willsons in Newboston and got 36 £ of tobacca from his son Thomas at 4 Dollars and I paid him one Dollar of it and on the 8th I sent two Dollars to my bror Samll for Mr James Caldwell toward a note that james Vose and I gave him some years ago and on the 9th I got 3 bushell of Rie from Silas Walker toward the Rum he had from me last summer

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12th 13th 14th 15th 16th and 17th I workt for james Gorman in Derryfield laying off land he sold for Taxes

21st 22d and 23d I workt for james Gorman in Derryfield laying off land he sold for taxes

24th Lieut Hall and Gorman and I agreed to draw the Deeds to the purchasers and go shares in the profits the acknowledgements to be mine above my share with them in the Deeds we writ 7 and part of the 8th and I writ a Deed from Wm Guilford to Asa Swinnerton and took the acknowledgment for which I charged them 2/ and Guilford owed me for two acknowledgments and they agreed that Swinnerton is to pay me 4/ for the whole

27th I went to Deacon Smiths mill with three bushells of Indian corn and had it ground

28th we butchered a sow a small one we did not weigh her I was to have Run lines for Mr Gemble and Duston of Derryfield I went to Col Goffes ferry but could not get over the Ice Run so thick

30th I went to Derryfield to Run Gembles and Dustons lines but they had not got a transcript and did not Do it and came home and had ½ a mug of Tody at Lieut Hobbs on credit And David and our four oxen workt for Stephen French all day

DECEMBER 1st

I hauled a white pine log to Lieut Orrs mill and I brot home a stock of white pine boards that he sawed last Spring for us

4th I attended at Chandlers an Evidence in Morrill and Underwoods affairs on their Referance by a Rule of Court Summoned by both parties

5th attended at Chandlers on the same business as yesterday last night and today there fell a Snow about 5 or 6 inches deep exceeding solid

8th I went to Deacon Smiths Mill with two bushell of Indian corn and a bushell of wheat and had it ground and I had the toal and David and our 4 oxen worked for john Patten

10th it snowed all day moderately and last night it fell about 7 or 8 inches deep I sheled 3 bushell of corn

11th I went to Deacon Smiths mill and took 2 bushels of Indian corn and 1½ bushell of Rie and had it ground and I had the toal

12th we butchered two of our hoggs we did not weigh them and Nathan Shed sent us ½ a bushell of Winter Wheat a present

13th WAS A GENERAL THANKSGIVEING THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES BY ORDER OF CONGRESS
and I filled a pair of Indentures for Deacon Smith of the boy that lives with him

14th I attended at Chandlers on the adjournment of the case between William Moor and William Patterson they settled the affair and I forgave them my fees and the Evidences forgave theirs

17th I at Thos Boies desire went to his mothers and writ her Will

19th David and I went and halled in three Board logs to Wallaces mill one of them I got from Ensn Chubbuck that he had fell and cut off on the highway on the top of the hill above Frenchs and we brot home some Cherry tree boards that Wallace sawed for us last spring

20th last night and today was a considerable Rain and we butchered the two last of our hogs and Mr McVea finished makeing a Gragoo for Bob and a coat for Alexr without linen

25th I assisted joseph Houston at his Vendue of the nonresident proprietors land in Bedford I Vendued for him And I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for Nicholas Sprake unpaid

27th Robert Alexander gave me a barrel of Cydar and Alexr brot it home and I finished makeing a flax break Ordination in Goffestown

28th was a Storm of Snow from the N: E: and the latter part of the day it Rained and I new built the mouth of our Oven

31st I went to Lieut Halls in Derryfield on word sent me by James Gorman to arbitrate between him and Ebenr Stevens but when I come I would not medle in their affair and the Arbitrators allowed Gorman to pay me

JANUARY 1st 1782

2d I set out to go to Amherst and on my way at Mr Holts I granted Administration to Daniel Blodget of his father in law Isaac Stevens Estate for which he paid me 10/6 and I got to Capt Lovejoys and lodged there my Expences was 4/8 I did not pay it

3d I attended the Probate court and we took as much fees as come to 50/ and I had got 25/ of fees which belonged the Regr since we settled that made us even that I had none of what fees we took today and I lodged at Smiths

4th I bot a quire of paper at 2/6 and ¼ of alspice at Means at 1/ and paid him my Expences at Smiths was 5/8 which I paid and I had ½ a mug of Tody at Lovejoys as I came home at /6 which with the 4/8 as I went over makes 5/2 I owe him

5th I took 3½ bushells of Indian corn to Deacon Smiths mill and got it ground and I had the Toal

7th I got a bushell and 4 Quarts of Rie from Samuel Goffe for a gallon and a pint of Rum he had from me last summer and I sent Alexr to Deacon Smiths mill with it and a bushell of Indian corn and I had the toal

8th I writ three Deeds for james Martin one to john Griffin and one to john Gardner and the other to our Robert and David and Alexr went to school to Cypher it being the first day either went

24th I got a bushell of Rie from james Walker junr for a Gallon of Rum he had from me last summer and I took it and a bushell and almost a peck of corn to Deacon Smiths mill and I had the toal one day last week we had Mr Underwoods pair of Oxen helping us

25th Isaac Houston welded the handle of our fire shovel and john Patten gave us a fresh Cod that I suppose weighed about 8 or 9 pound we have been hauling logs to the River and this day we have got Tun and feet to the River

FEBRUARY 2d

I got a fresh Cod fish from David Rowel that weighed 17 £ at two pence per £ to be settled in what he is to pay for my laying off land in Derryfield this faull that he bot for Taxes

4th I got my wifes heck new teethed and a new end on a spool and a new foot wheel from james Gorman toward my laying off land he sold in Derryfield this faull for taxes

7th I went to Silas Walkers and got a peck of Rie toward the Rum he had from me last Summer

8th I got two bushells of Rie from Silas Walker which with the peck I got yesterday and three bushels I got from him the 9th of last November paid the whole of the 5¼ Gallon of Rum he had from me last summer he brot the two bushells I got today to Chandlers

11th I took the 2¼ of a bushell of Rie I got from Silas Walker and a bushell and a little more of my own corn to Deacon Smiths mill and had it Ground and I had the toal

12th I spent the forenoon at home and the afternoon at Chandlers both on the proprietors of this towns acct I was ½ a mug of Tody at Chandlers

13th I writ two long notifications for a proprietors meeting to be held at Chandlers the 12th of next march at one of the clock in the afternoon

15th I got a pint and half of Rum from Zechariah Chandler on Credit

16th I gave john McIntosh a notification for joseph Bell to hear some Depositions taken at Chandlers this evening at which time and place I attended and took Thomas Boies Deposition but took no more.

26th james Thompson of Litchfield Returned the Inventory of his Fathers Estate and I gave him a commission to Capt Bixby and Samll Chase junr to Receive and Examin the claims on the Estate I charged 8/ for both he could not pay me

27th I got 3 Roundings from French to sole my shoes and I gave on Adonijah Tylar to Esqr Bailey and Capt Putney to Examin the claims of the Estate of ——— Davis late of Hopkinton for which he paid me half a Dollar and I sent Alexr to Adam Dickey with an order that our james had on him for 5½ bushells of corn to be paid in Rie and he gave him 4 bushells and 12 quarts of Rie for it and took 1 bushell and the 12 quarts of the Rie and a bushell of our Indian corn to Samll Moors mill and had it ground

MARCH 1st

and 2d I was at james Gormans assisting him a writing Deeds of the land he sold for Taxes and on the 1st I took back the wheel I got from Gorman on the 4th of last Febr we did not like her

4th I went to Lieut john Halls and I took the Acknowledgement of two Deeds for him and swore him to acct against Robt Clarks Estate and writ the Caption and I had ½ a mug of Tody on credit from him which is to answer what I had from in the house and I got 13 £ of pickled fish from David Rowel to be settled in what he owes james Gorman at /2 pr £ and I got a bushell of Oats from Willm Moor junr

5th I set out for Dracut and Haverhill and I lodged at Capt joseph Butterfields at free cost

6th I went to Capt Russell and got two orders one on Mr Horton for what things I want and another for two barrels of Rum that lay in Mr Bartlets store and I lodged at Deacon Shepards

7th I brot one of the barrels of Rum from Mr Bartlett to Robt McMurphys and lodged there

8th I came home and brot the barrel of Rum to Zech Chandler he gave me the 5th 5 crowns and a Dollar and he gave me 6 Dollars today toward the Rum he is to have it at ½ a dollar a Gallon and the bringing up I got a Cake of Chocolate from Majr Pinkerton for which I paid 6/9 Bay old Tenor my Expences was 3/2 ½ Lawful on this journey

11th I set off for Haverhill and got the other Barrel of Rum that Capt Russell Stored at Mr Bartletts for me in the faull I paid a pistereen for the storage of the two barrels and I came to Mr Hazletins and lodged there

12th I brot the Rum to Majr Pinkertons and left it there and went to Robt McMurphys and lodged there

13th Set out for Newbury Port on horse back and arived there and lodged at Wm Prices

14th I got 14 ℔ of Rice and and 1½ £ of Tea from Mr James Horton toward our timber and I bot 28 £ of shugar at two Dollars and ¾ £ of Indigo at two Dollars and a fine tooth comb at a shilling and two £ of Coffee for jean McMurphy for which I paid two pistereen and I came five miles this side Sweats ferry and lodged at Mr Bradleys tavern

15th came to Robt McMurphys and lodged there

18th I come to Majr Pinkertons and brot the barrel of Rum as far as Mr Giles and the off Runner of my Sled pulled in two and I got a Slea from him and brot it to Capt Samll Moor but could not get the mare nor the Rum over and left them there and I got over myself and came home my Expences this week was about 1½ Dollar jean McMurphy gave me two pickled Codfish and I gave her the two £ of Coffee I bot for her at Newbury

The 14th Alexr and our 4 oxen worked for james Houston all day

19th was a proprs' meeting by adjournment and they Voted to give up the Lease between them and john Orr to the selectmen and I gave it to Hugh Orr and james Smith in the evening and I writ a Deed from old old Ensign Chubbuck to his son Ensign and I got 2 pair of heels from jas Gillmor of Merrymac for which I am to write a letter to Simon Tutle for him

20th I writ the letter to Tuttle for Gillmor and sent it by john Craig on the 18th I had 3 cases before me two wherein james Underwood were Plant and David Greg and one Everden were Defts and another wherein Robt jones was Plant and john McIntosh was Deft my fees for signing the blanks and the trial in the 3 cases was 14/3 and I got 11/2 in money toward it They were all defaulted and I adjourned all the 3 cases to the 18th of April for makeing up judgment and another wherein Alexr Stewart is Deft for trial and Alexr and our 4 Oxen workt for Stephen French to pay him for leather he let Ezekl Gardner have to pay for his teaching them to sing Musick

19th David and our 4 oxen workt for French to pay for leather french let Ezekial Gardner have for Gardners teaching him to sing Musick this winter

23d I went to Litchfield and got two bushells and better than a half of Indian corn from Wm Patterson for what james and Robt helped him last Indian harvest time and I gave him 6/8 lawful which with 1-6-0 I sent him by james paid what corn I had from last May all but 10/ and it paid 20/3 Bay old Tenor he lent me when I was going to Dracut so that I owe him now but the 10/ which is a Dollar and two thirds and I got Robt Mare home from Capt Moor who has kept her a week that I could not get over the River

26th was our Proprietors meeting which I attended and in the forenoon I attended at Chandlers at Thos Lanceys affair

27th was our annual Meeting and I took 3 Depositions for old john Bell and 2 for james Underwood

28th I writ a Deed from William White to David and Hugh Riddle for which and time and the acknowledgment and time spent with them I charged them a bushell of Indian corn which David promised to pay me in corn or Rie

29th I writ two long Deeds one from Israel young to David Sessions and the other from David Hall to said Sessions both of seven diferant peices of Land in Derryfield

30th Alexander and I went with the Oxen and Sled and brot the barrel of Rum from Capt Moors to Chandler it Gaged 31½ Gallon and I got a new Tea Kittle from him toward the Rum at two Dollars and he gave 5 Dollars and 20/ Bay old tenor today which with the 12 Dollars and 25/ Bay old Tenor he paid me before makes 20 Dollars I have got toward the two barrels of Rum he has had from me (viz) one on the 8th Instant and the other today I am to make alowance for the Extraordinary wastage as we suppose there ought to be an alowance but dont yet know how much

APRIL 1st

I went to Lieut Halls and I took the acnowledgment of two Deeds for David Sessions and the acknowledgment of three Deeds for Israel Young and two for Daniel Hall and four Deeds for Capt james Majory which David Sessions is to pay and the acknowledgment of a Deed to Charles Emerson which james Gorman or Sessions is to pay they were all from james Gorman Except the two first mentioned which two was them I writ from Israel Young and Daniel Hall the 29th Ult the writing of them Sessions pays as well as the acknowledgments I charged him 10/ for writing the two Deeds and the acknowledging them and the other four acknowledgments of Majory over and above the 10/ about that Sessions is to pay

2d I writ two long Deeds for David Sessions the one was from Capt Majory to him the other was from Charles Emerson to him I charge 8/ for the two

3d I went and brot the 8 bushells of corn from Reeds that our james brot there four for me and four for Barnabas McCain 4 I left at McGaws and the other 4 I brot to Deacon Smiths mill and had 2 of it ground for my self and allmost a bushel of Rie that that I took there today and the other two bushel of corn I left at the mill for McCain my Expences for ferriag was the Sixteenth of a Dollar and ½ a Mug of Tody at McGaws for which I paid /4 lawful and I gave Deacon Smith a Dollar toward the Toal I have

4th I went to Amherst to attend the Probate Court and lodged at Smiths

5th Did some Probate business my part of the fees we took was 13/6 my Expences at Smiths was 5/ I got ½ an ounce of snuff at Means for which I paid 5 Copers and I paid Capt Lovejoy 5½ for my Expences at his house last january when I was over at the Probate

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on the 3d I sent Wm Patterson of Litchfield five Dollars with what I sent him by my james and a Crown I gave him myself on the 23d of last march paid all I owed him and the price of 4 bushell of corn Ovar which I have yet to get

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6th I got 36 £ of Iron from William Newman toward what he owes me and I went to McGaws and brot the 4 bushell of corn away that I left

there the 3d and brot it to Deacon Smiths mill and had two bushell of it ground for myself and the other two I left there for Barnabas McCain on our james acct

8th Alexr and I went to Wallaces saw mill and brot some slabs to put on our Raft to scull on and David measured pine logs for Capt McLaughlin and Orp: Griffen

9th Robt David and Alexr and I Rafted our pine logs we have 37 in Number we have five gon away with the freshet we Drawed 1½ Quart of Rum from Chandler we Reserved to draw what we should need for Rafting and toward puting up a house from when he had the Rum from us

10th I took the proof of john Henrys Will for which and writing an advertisment and time spent instructing his son Samuel one of the Execrs Samll paid me two hard Dollars And I granted Guardianship to Widow Mirick of her son Ezra the fees a Dollar which she could not pay And I examined Capt Herrimans acct of his Trusteeship on Col Wm Starks and john Stinsons Estates for which he paid me six Dollars of the new Emission and Robt and David went off with 37 pine logs all our own and I drawed a Gallon of Rum from Chandler and he paid me 1½ Dollar toward the Rum which the boys took with them and Thos Lancey went their pilot

11th I swore Capt McLaughlin Stephen Dole Lt Vose james Martin Majr Goffe and john Boies the Oath for town officers to take prescribed in an act made the 28th of Novr 1781 and I swore them all the Oaths of Office to which they were Respectively chosen at the March Meeting and I framed a letter to send to james Duncan of Haverhill

12th I copyed of the letter I framed yesterday to send to Mr james Duncan of Haverhill

13th I sent it by john Morrison to Mr Duncan and David got home from Pentucket and Robt went to Almsbury with the logs and got there that evening

15th David went to Litchfield to work a day or two for Wm Patterson

16th Robt came home from Almsbury

17th David came home from Litchfield and brot home two bushels of Rie and two corn from Wm Patterson and got it ground at Deacon Smiths mill by Adam he toled it

18th I made up judgment in three cases for james Underwood one was Defaulted today

24th I had john McLaughlins son james and his 4 oxen and his breakeing up plow and james Wallaces pair of Oxen helping us break up between and the meadow and my brors Steers the Afternoon and I drawed a pint of Rum from Chandler

25th WAS THE GENERAL FAST

26th john Maclaughlins son james helped us all day and my brors son joseph the afternoon to lay up Log fence Round the new field we laid up about 30 lengths which compleated the fence and I drawed 1½ pint of Rum from Chandler

27th I went to Litchfield and got ½ a bushel of Peas from Wm Patterson for which I paid a Dollar and I got 4 bushels of corn from him on credit

I owed him ⅔ of a Dollar of all the Grain I have had from him before which makes 28/ I owe him now in all for last year and this of all the grain I have had from him And I got 29 £ of Shugar from Esqr Underwood by an order from his son james to be settled with his son james in our accts my ferriage at Reads was nine pence which I paid and I left the 4 bushells of corn at McGaws that I got at Pattersons today

29th I sowed the peas I got at Pattersons

MAY FIRST

I went to McGaws and brot the 4 bushells of corn I left there the 27th ult and had it ground at Deacon Smiths mill and I had the Toal the Rest of the week we were all geting timber for the frame for the house

6th we began to frame in the afternoon

7th we sowed our flaxseed I sowed about a bushell and we got 1½ pint of Rum from Chandler

9th we got 3 pints of Rum from Chandler

11th we got 3 pints of Rum from Chandler and john and joseph Patten james Walker and james Wallace came to help us frame we workt awhile in the morning and it come on a heavy Rain and Wallace went home and it cleared up about the middle of the day and john and joseph Patten and jas Walker workt the afternoon

13th john Patten workt with us at the frame and Alexr workt for him with joseph

14th john Patten james Underwood and james Walker helped us all day and Thos Lancey the forenoon and joseph Patten the afternoon to frame and Alexr helped in john Pattens Room the forenoon the afternoon was very Rainey and we drawed 5½ Quarts of Rum from Chandler

15th john and joseph Patten james Walker and joseph Bell in james Underwoods Room helped us frame and we finished a little time after dinner and we Raised the afternoon and we drawed 3 Gallons and 3 Quarts of Rum from Chandler which compleatly carried us out

16th something of wet misty Rain and I took home james Wallaces Tenant Saw and two inch Auger that we had to use a framing and I took home Chandlers Gallon and Frenchs Gallon bottles and Capt Walkers two quart bottle I took to Chandlers to be sent home from there and I took upper leather of my own and out sole and heel lifts of Robts leather that he got of Capt Aiken to Robt jones and I spoke to Majr Goffes wife to borrow in soles and heel stuff which jones got to compleat the stuff for my shoes

17th I writ a power of Attorney and took the acknowledgment for Mark Duly for which he paid me 2/ Lawful and I writ a power from Rob Morril to Robt Smith and I took the acknowledgment no pay

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on the 7th or 8th I got a bushell of Rie from David Riddel for my service between him and Wm White and had it ground at Deacon Smiths and I had the toal

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MAY 17th 1782

18th I split 34 Rails on the Ministerial land

20th I went to Widow Mudgets in Wear and Granted Adminr on her late husbands Estate to her son Ezra and I tarried there over night

21st I took the proof of Daniel Pages will late of Wear and the proof of joseph Hoags will late of Heniker for which they each paid me 10/6 and each of them paid me 8/ for my comeing there and they paid Mrs Mudget half a dollar for my last nights entertainment And Ezra Mudget let me have three bushels of corn for his part of my going there and the adminr and I gave Daniel Bagley six dollars for corn he promised to let me have 8 bushels and I brot the three bushels I had from Mudget home and I got it ground at Dows and I bot the Toal of it and paid 13 ½ pence for it and yesterday Amos Gardner got 4 bushels of potatoes for which he is to give me 3 thousand of shingle nails the rest of the week we were prepareing for and planting

27th we planted the peice by Frenches

28th I granted Administration on the Estate of john Harvey late of Goffestown who was Drowned at Islehookset the 23d Instant to Capt Todd for which he paid me 10/6 and I went to the falls and got 3 shad and I had a mug of Tody at McGregores on credit

29th I went to the falls in the afternoon and I got 2 shad and an Eel and I staied and fished at the little setting place till the middle of the night David was on the Island but he got none Alexr staid all night with jos: and we got 45 Eels for our part

30th I went to Amherst to assist john Craig to settle his note to Daniel McFarland with Mr Dana and his bror Samll and lodged att Smiths

31st we came home by the Evening he paid my Expences

JUNE FIRST

yesterday and last night David and Alexr got 9 shad and 5 Eels

3d Alexr fished at the new setting place and got 23 Shad and two Eels and I got 6 Eels on the Island yesterday and today David workt for james Walker

5th last night Alexr and I fished at our Eel place we got 202 Eels and I fished at the new Setting place and got one Salmon of about 12 £ and 10 Shad and 11 Eels and the night following we got 40 Eels from the setting place and I had ½ a mug of Tody at Esqr McGregores on credit and john Craig sent me 1 ½ bushel of Rie for my going with him to Amherst last week

6th Alexr went to Deacon Smiths mill with the 1 ½ bushel of Rie that john Craig sent me yesterday and as much Indian and got it ground and David and I went to the falls and fished for Eels the night following

7th we got 26 Eels after some deductions and we let Robt jones have 30 Eels to day toward his makeing shoes for us and I fished at the new setting place and got 9 shad and 42 Eels in the day time and I gave Mrs Karr 15 Eels for grog and Alexr gave her two and two I lent to Capt Richards and two I gave Wm White and 4 of them to make up jones 30 and the Rest we

brot home and about 15 that we got at the setting place and we let joseph Bell have 12 Eels for his makeing along shank Eel hook a year or two ago for our Robt

10th I fished at the new setting place and got 4 shad and 49 Eels and Alexr came up and we got 120 Eels home 20 we gave james Walker for helping us and 12 I let james Gillmore of Merrymac have he gave me ¼ for 8 of them and the other 4 I gave him and our james got 23 on the Island which he let Robt jones have and I let jones have 20 Eels

12th last night james and I got 220 Eels at our Eel place 44 for Alexr McMurphy on his Right 20 I let David Riddel have for ½ a bushel of corn I am to have and I let Samll Moor have 40 toward which I got a peck of Bay Salt from him I got 20 from Samll Patterson that he owed me and I lost them but knows not how 202 came home

13th David and I fished at the Eel place last night and we got and got 99 Eels 10 of which we gave Mrs Karr for grog the Rest came home and sent 76 to Deacon Smith to pay for Toal of the grain I got ground at his mill and sent a mess to Lt Orr

15 I got a meat tub with a lid cover at a Dollar price and a new Cyder barrel from Isaac Atwood to be paid in Eels if we get them and I got ½ a bushel of corn from Widow Riddel for the Eels her son David got from me the 12th Instant and I went to Majr Tolford to have Betsey come home to do some weaveing for us and lodged there

16th I came home on foot and left the mare for her to Ride home on and I gave her a dollar to bring the worth of it in Tobacca from james Pinkertons which she did

17th I fished at the new setting place and I got a small salmon of about 9 or 10 £ 3 shad and 11 Eels and I had ½ a mug of Tody at Esqr McGregores on credit and come home

18th I went to the falls and Hacket and David Richards and I got 7 Eels and they gave me their part and David staid and got 41 Eels and he brot them and my 7 to Capt McLaughlins and let him have them and I had a mug of W: I: Tody and a Glass full in water at Esqr McGregores on credit and I lodged there that night

19th I fished at the new setting place and I got 65 Eels in day light and I got 47 in the night time and Alexr got 5 on the Island and and I let Esqr McGregore have 25 Eels to pay for Grog and had ½ a pint of W: I: sling there the morning of the 20th

20th I took 40 Eels to Amos Gardners for which he is to give me 2000 of shingle nails and I took 52 Eels to Isaac Atwood which paid for the meat tub and the Cydar barrel I had there the 15th Instant and I told him I ought to have another barrel and he agreed to make me an allowance more but we did not agree how much

21st last night I got 30 Eels and Alexr took them away and let Robt jones have 15 of them and the other 15 he took home

22d last night I got 24 Eels at our Eel place and 12 from the new Setting place and I took them all to Ezekl Lincoln for which he is to give me 2000 of shingle nails on the 20th I had ½ a mug of Tody and on the 21st a pint of Rum up to the falls and on the 22 I had ½ a pint and a Glass of Rum

in sling at Esquire McGregores and on the 21st Stephen French brot me five crown peices of silver from Capt Russell toward the Raft he had April was a year

24th Matthew McVea came to make me a Coat of Waled Cotton and linen and joseph Patten helped us Weed corn

25th Mr McVea finished makeing my coat it had no lining in it and David and Alexr and I workt at weeding our corn

26th I went to the falls and I got two Shad at the setting place and I settled my fishing Expences with Esqr McGregore at his house it amounted to 5/2 he had 25 Eels from me toward it for which he allowed me 3/6 and and I had ½ a mug of Tody today for which I paid six pence and I paid him 1/9 the ballance more than the Eels came to and I had a £ of Coffee from him for which I paid him 1/6

27th I split 20 Rails on the ministerial land out of two cuts that David cut and David brot home 58 Rails that I had spit there before

28th I split 31 Rails there and David and Alexr brot the Team to me and they went out to cut a corner down Where they were clearing last summer that had been left and I brot home 35 Rails and then I brot home afterward 35 posts from Frenches

29th David Houston mended both the side Straps of my Spade

JULY FIRST

I got Ezekl Lincolns horse and Robts mare and went to Mr Daniel Baileys in Weare and lodged there at free cost

2d I got the 6 bushels of corn I paid him for the 21st of last May and 2 bushels more that I have spoke to him for then and I paid him for the two bushels and I paid him for a bushel of corn for Ezekl Lincoln which he sent a Dollar with me to pay for it and I filled it into a bag of Frenches and left it at Mr Baileys and I brot my 8 bushels with me and got it ground at job Dows and I had the Toal for which I paid half a Dollar and I paid ½ a pistereen for grog at Dows and I Recd the Inventory of Ebenr Mudgets Estate and swore the apprizers and the adminr and took a dollar for it and I swore Alexr McClentock on the Return of the Inventory of his fathers Estate he paid no feas

3d I took home Lincolns horse and lent him 40 £ of Indian meal and I heard Mr Murry preach in Bedford and I Recd from Capt Russell by the hand of Stephen Dole Eleven Dollars Dole told me that Capt Russell sent 12 but he was obliged to lay out one of them which he promised to pay me in a little time

4th I Recd 4 Dollars from Chandler toward a barrel of Brandy he had from me of 31¾ of a Gallon which john Patten got from Mr james Horton for me last week toward the Timber Horton had from Capt Russell of mine spring was a year and yesterday our Polly bot a peticoat from jacob McGaw for which she paid 4 Dollars which I gave her and I Recd two Dollars from john Patten on Chandlers acct toward the Brandy and I went to Amherst

5th attended the Sessions and took the proof of two Wills at the Probate

court the Register was sick and could not attend I got the pay for one will and Col Baldwin owes for the proof of one of the two wills I took the proof of and I paid General Nichols a Dollar for Recording a Deed I had of Capt Stinsons land and Col Goffes Deposition which I got taken in perpetuam my Expences was 3/9 ¼ Sam^ll Moor paid the keeping of the Mare over night and my Breakfast and Diner on the 6th and I got ½ a thousand of Board nails from Means by weight but they fell short 7 score by tale for which I paid him 9/ and I got ½ an Ounce of snuff from him for which I paid 4 copers and I got the Deed I had from Matthew Little of his Right in Dartmouth Acknowledged by the Court by the Oath of james Cairns one of the witnesses for which I paid 2/ I attended the Sessions today (viz) the 6th and came in the evening

8th and 9th I measured of three peices of land that joseph Houston sold for Taxes I charged two Dollars a day

11th I Run the line between james Thompson and Thomas Lancey Thompson is to pay me in Work I was about ⅔ of the day on it and I worked the Rest of the day at fixing a table for joseph Houstons affairs of the sale of land as a Constable for the year 1780

12th I filled six Deeds of land Houston sold for taxes at 3/ each I charged 18/ for fixing the aforesaid table which cost me a good deal of time this week Capt McLaughlin had my young oxen 3½ days helping him fellow his old field and last week my Brothers had my four Oxen helping him two days breaking up and I drawed 1½ pint of Brandy from Chandler I Reserved what I should need of it when he got it from me and Chandler paid the post four shillings for me for new 3 Mo

13th I went to Chandlers with joseph Houston and I took the acknowledgement of the six deeds I filled yesterday 3 of them was to Asa Barns unto Robt Morril one to Sam^ll Goffe and one to Barnet McKain the acknowledgements unpaid each of them to pay their own acknowledgements and I drawed another 1½ pint of Brandy from Chandler

15th I bot a Bell from joseph Houston for a dollar to be Discounted in the services I have have done for him The whole I did for him a Vendueing laying off the land he sold writing deeds and other services came to 12 Dollars and I answered the tax and charge on No 5 in the 2d Rang which amounted to five Dollars and four pence he now owes me six Dollars lacking four pence and I took a Gun barrel to Mr Shed that weighed 4½ £ (which I borrowed from john Patten) and am to pay him the weight of it in other iron to get 2 Scyths made Shed is to find the Rest of the Stuff and I paid him two Dollars toward them

16th I brot home a load of Clay from the little meadow

17th I brot two load of Clay and David began to mow at the little meadow

18th I Carted two load of Clay and David and Alex^r mowed the Governor lott and Raked up part of what David mowed yesterday and on the 19th I drawed a quart of Brandy from Chandler and my wife got a pint some day this week

19th I brot home one load of Clay

20th I brot home a load of hay from the little meadow being the first I

brot this year and David took suseys Calf and ours to john Craigs to pasture

21st Mr Davidson preached in Bedford

22d I brot a load of hay from the little meadow and I broke one of the fellows of my Cart wheels and David went out and burnt the two peices that james and him cut down last year

23d David came and lodged at Samll Kennedys last night and today he got 26 £ of pork bone and all as the hog live he gave in a pound and David paid for 25 at ½ a pistereen a pound and I got my Cart wheel mended so that I brot home a load of hay in the afternoon

24th Mr McVea came here to make a Striped linen coat for David and Mrs Deely came to make two Gowns for Betsy and Polly and some fitting to a pair of Stays

25th Mr McVea finished makeing Davids coat and I paid him two Crown peices toward what work he has done for us and David Houston made six Cart nails of their iron and drove them and I brot a load of Clay which makes 8 load in all

26th we Reaped at our Rie being the first except nine sheaves and I drawed a pint of Brandy from Chandler

27th was a pretty Refreshing Rain and we sowed our Cowyard with turnip seed and Mrs Deely finished the Gowns and Stays and charged half a Dollar my wife paid her 2/8 of it and /4 we owe her yet and I drawed a pint of Brandy from Chandler and David workt this day and yesterday and the day before for Capt McLaughlin for his joseph to Reap two Acres of Rie for us and he Reaped part of it

29th I drawed a quart of Brandy from Chandler and Alexr and I Reaped 8 stooks and 2 sheaves and joseph Goffe helped joseph McLaughlin to Reap for Davids helping him he was to have reaped two acres for David three days work but he Reaped but one acre and ¾ and 4 Rods

30th it Rained awhile in the fore part of the day and the afternoon I went to Benjn Spragues and Morrisons to get help to Reap Robt Rie

31st I drawed a quart of Brandy from Chandler and Alexr and I finished Reaping at home all but ten sheaves

AUGUST FIRST

we Reaped the 10 sheaves and got in the last of the Rie we have 45 Stooks and three sheaves and I got two Gallon and a pint of Rum from Chandler toward my service done for joseph Houston about the land he sold for Taxes

2d I had Benjn Spragues and his Bror and Samll Morrison and his son Willm and his other two Boys and Robt Spear helped us Reap our Roberts Rie we finished we have 32 stooks of it and I came home and David and Alexr staid over night

3d Alexr came home in the forenoon and David staid and finished mowing and Rakeing and cocking the hay and I brot home the flax from by Frenches

4th Mr Morrison preached in Bedford

5th David and Alexr thrashed 3½ stooks of Rie with the scatering in pitching we had almost 4 bushels and I cut out 18 Cart fellows

6th I workt at mending one of my Cart wheels and the boys thrashed off the Flax seed and went to the hill to take in the Rie and hay on Robts place and Alexr went to Capt Moors mill with two bushels of Rie the first of the ——— ———

7th they took the Rie into Morrisons Barn and the hay into David McClarys Barns and came home with the Oxen after night and I workt at the cart wheel

8th The boys thrashed our Peas and cleaned them we have two bushells and above a peck and David went to the Meadow in the afternoon toward night to mow

9th james Houston welded three places of my Cart Tire and made Eleven Cart nails of my Iron

10th I brot a load of hay from the meadow and I got 24 £ of pork from Mr Alexander at a shilling a Pound and yesterday toward which I paid three Dollars and yesterday I got two gallon and a pint of Rum from Chandler there was a prety Refreshing Rain to day

12th I brot a load of hay from the meadow

13th I brot a load of hay

14th 15th and 16th we had David Houston helping us and finished mowing at the little meadow our David was out of case these three days and on the 16th he drawed two quarts of Brandy from Chandler and I brot home four load of hay in these three days

17th we finished Rakeing and cocking and brot home a load and David went to Capt Moors mill with almost two bushells of Rie and had it ground on the 15th or 16th

19th was a fine Refreshing Rain in the morning and also in the evening

20th I helped jas Underwood frame at his house the afternoon

21st I brot home two load of hay from the meadow being the last I have 14 loads in all this year

22d and 23d I helped james Underwood frame and Rais his house we Raised the afternoon of the 23d and boarded the most of the Roof and one Gabel end and Betsey went to Majr Tolfords and had john Maclaughlins horse to Ride and our David went to bring him home and Robt McMurphys son Alexr took away the Eels I got on Alexr McMurphys Right at the Eell place at the falls last spring

24th David paid joseph McKinzie three Dollars toward the lawn he wove for us and he gave Doctr Dugal two dollars for Medicins for his use and he got 9 £ of Tobacca at jas Pinkertons for which he paid a Dollar and ¼ of Tea for which he paid 2/6 my wife found a Dollar of the money and he come home in the evening much out of case

26th james Houston had our 4 oxen and Cart and brot 32 bushels of Cole from Lanceys to his shop and I gave Ezra Mudget two Warts one to set off his Mothers 3ds and the other to Divide or apprize his fathers Estate for a settlement for them he paid me a Dollar

27th james Houston made a new shoe of my iron and set it and one I had before on Robts Mares fore feet and Nathan Shed upset an Ax for me and

I got a bushel of Barly from William McDoel for which I am to give him a bushell of Rie

28th I mended at the join fence between and the Meadow and Alexr almost finished mowing in the meadow at home

29th Mr Abbot made a pair of shoes for Alexr at our house of our leather and Alexr workt for him with our four Oxen a breaking up and I finished mowing and Raked up twelve cocks

30th we brot in what hay we mowed in the meadow at home there was about 1½ jag of it

31st I got 1¾ of a bushell of Rie ground at Capt Moors mill

SEPTEMBER 2d

we brot a load of Boards from Samll Moors that he sawed for us two or three years ago out of Logs we cut in Goffestown

3d I Run lines for john Gardner to be paid in work & Underwood brot two load of Clay

4th I brot the Remainder of what boards we had at Samll Moors and Nine Slabs

5th I brot two load of Clay and Underwood brot four load

6th I put An Axletree into john Riddels wheels for Underwood and he brot two load of Clay with his oxen and one pair of my oxen

7th I brot two load of Clay and Underwood brot two load

9th I went and brot a load of Slabs from Samll Moors and I got 4 white pine plank from Moor that measured feet for which I am to draw him in logs to pay him and William McLaughlin brot a load of Slabs for Underwood with his fathers Oxen And Underwood had Amaziah Polard helping him to make the bed to make the mortar on and the yard and I went to makeing moulds

10th I workt at makeing moulds and Polard helped Underwood fitting the bed and getting sand

11th we butchered our two year old Steer he weighed 166½ £ of beaf and 32 of hide and I paid Stephen French 42½ £ of beaf for 36 £ I had last yr we struck about one hundred brick

12th Major Goffe helped us strick brick and the afternoon I went at Asael Smiths desire and measured from the River from the Edy by his house to Merrils ferry which was two miles lacking 28 Rods and then measured on the west side of the River from Merrils landing to the mouth of The Forge brook which was two miles lacking 12 Rods

13th james Martin junr helped us about the brick he and Alexr struck about 700 and workt turning up the brick smoothing the yard &c

14th Alexr and I filled the Coop with Clay and Sand and then I went to Benjamin Blodgets in Litchfield at his and james Nochar junr and Willm Richardsons desire and began to Run the line on the north end of Brintons farm and I took 1½ bushel of Rie with me and had it ground at Capt Samll Moors mill

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the 10th David paid jacob McGaw a Dollar toward the Deerskin he had from us last winter and 3/ for a ¼ of Tea he bot today

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16th james McLaughlin helped Mr Underwood at the brick and Alexr all day and I the forenoon and the afternoon I held a Court at Chandlers between james Vose and Samll Moor and adjourned it till the last day of this month

17th Alexr workt at the brick alone and I took the young oxen up to james

18th Alexr and I workt at the brick

19th Alexr and I workt at the brick and I took the acknowledgment of a Deed that David writ yesterday for joseph Houston for which he paid me 7/8 Bay old Tenor

20th Alexr and workt at the Brick

21st William McLaughlin worked for Underwood with Alexr and me at the brick in the afternoon I went to Capt Moors mill with 1½ bushell of Rie and had it ground

23d Alexr and I workt at the brick

24th I went to Amherst to the Superiour Court to have the case between David Moor and me tryed but had the Coppy of the case with my Deed and Thomas Murdoughs Deposition and Col Goffes Deposition that he took in perpetuam with several Depositions taken for Mr James Underwood and a Compt and Wart james Vose adversus Samuell Moor were all stole out of my saddle bags and I came home in the evening but did not get my papers were stole untill next morning I came home to take over my Evidences and I gave General Sullivan 3 Dollars .....

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM SEPTEMBER 24 1782

25th I went to Amherst but did not take my evidences over by reason of the loss of my papers and when the Court met in the afternoon I had the case continued and I tarried on Isaac Mitchells acct untill the 26th at Dinner time I set off for home john McLaughlin of Newboston found all the papers I had stole excepting the coppy of the case and my Deed Col Goffe and Thomas Murdoughs Depositions about 30 or 40 rods from the Court house in the Road leading to Newboston north from the Court house my Expences at Smiths was 10/ at Hildreths 2/5 at Ellinwoods 1/4 at Lovejoys 1/ to the Clerk for the continuance 1/ for ½ an ounce of snuff /3⅓

27th Alexr workt at the brick and I helped him ½ of the afternoon he worked at the brick all this week

28th Alexr and I workt at fitting a bed of mortar Carting water sand &c

30th Alexr fitted the Bed of Mortar fit for striking the forenoon and then haked brick the latter part of the day he and I had to work stoping the fire on our land that joseph Bell set about a month ago

OCTOBER FIRST

it began to Rain in the morning moderatly

2d Alex and I struck off 1500 brick

3d I went to Amherst and attended the Probate court and Sessions the Register took all the fees and I had done so much business since we were together in April that I fell 41/ in his debt which I have of his part of the fees my expences was 3/2 and I came home after night and young james

Houston worked with Alex^{r} at the brick the afternoon for Mr Underwood

4th Alex and I workt at the brick

5th we workt at the brick and in the Evening it Rained a considerable heavy Rain we lost several hundred brick with it we made none after this faull

On the 22^{d} Master Richardson came to set and burn the Brick And james Martin Amos Martin and joseph McLaughlin helped for Underwood and 23d the two Martins and W^{m} McLaughlin helped for Underwood and finished burning the 25th at night Master Richardsons charge was 2 bushels of Underwoods salt Underwood found the Rum we used which was 1½ Gallons We workt at our harvested and finished it about the last of the month

NOVEMBER 4th

I let Patrick Fling have 600 of Brick and I went to Litchfield to Run lines for Benjamin Blodget William Richardson and james Nochar junr and Run for them the 5th 6th 7th and 8th which with my Running for them the 14th of last Sepember I charged them 10 bushels of corn or as much money as would buy it Blodget gave me a dollar in the lieu of one bushel they propose to pay the 10 bushels in equal parts

9th I Run lines for Ensn Daniel Kendel Lieut Timothy Kendel and Gerrish Harvill Ensn Kendel is to let me have a bushel of corn for the half and Gerrish Harvil answered a Dollar for the other half of the day which answered toward 17½ £ of pork I had from him and his mother on the 6th of September 1781 I paid two Dollars in money of it when I got it

13th I Run the lines Round the lott no 61 in the 2d Rang for David Sprague for his Reaping for me last summer at our Rob^{ts} Rie

14th Sheds prentice upsett two axes for me and set the head of one of them

15th I Run the lines of 40 acres of land for David Lolly in Litchfield for which he is to let me have two bushells of Rie

19th I appointed a hearing on a petition of Doctor Ordway and other for which he paid me a dollar and james Houston made four new shoes and Nails of my Iron and set them on Roberts mare he found the steel for ½ steel calks

20th james Durrah got 500 of Brick and his neighbour Cunningham got 100 of Brick and I set out for Newburyport and lodged at William Pattersons

21st I lodged at Mr Lads tavern in Methuen

22^{d} arrived in Newburyport and lodged at one Mr Johnsons

23^{d} I got a bushel of salt and three dollars in money from Mr James Horton toward our timber and I bot a pound of Tea ¼ £ of peper ¼ of alspice and a pair of brass buckles from Mrs Tappin for which I paid her 17/6 and came to Mrs Barnards tavern and lodged there over the Sabath

25th I setled with john Barnard who had the logs from our Robert last spring he advanced ten Dollars to Robt which took 1433 feet of boards to pay the money at seven dollars pr thousand and there is 4500 feet behind toward which he gave me 4 Dollars in money and 6 £ of shugar in the lieu

of a Dollar which five Dollars is entered on the back of the note and came to Robt McMurphys and lodged there

26th I got 1½ £ of snuff and a cake of Chocolate at james Pinkerton for which I paid him 7/ and I came home toward sun set

28th WAS THE GENERAL THANKSGIVEING THROUGHOUT THE STATE

29th I went to Chandlers to take some Depositions for Capt Karr but he had concluded not to take them and I went with William McIntire of Derryfield to Capt Samll Moors and took a Deposition for him I told him I should have a Dollar but I got no pay

30th I Run three of the lines of the third Division No 119 for john McIntosh and in the Evening I granted Administration on the Estate of Peter Hearsee to Duston by consent of the widow I charged him two Dollars and he paid me one of them

DECEMBER 2d

I went Col Goffe and General Stark to Esqr Clagets to get him to draw a petition to the General Court to prevent Mrs Hollend from comeing into this State and I got a new foot wheel from james Gorman toward my laying off land for him in Derryfield a year ago

3d Mr jones of Goffestown who lives back from Capt Todds built a new Oven for us for which I paid him half a Dollar

4th I had Underwoods Colt and I took a bushell of Corn and one of Rie to Samll Moors mill and had it ground and I went to Esqr MacGregores and met Col: Goffe and General Starke to sign the petition we were at Esqr Clagets about on the 2d Instant

7th I went to Samll Moors mill with 2 bushels of corn and a bushel of Rie and had it ground

9th David Houston mended two chains for me he made two new links of my Iron for each Chain and shut several links in both Chains and Welded one of the Hinges of our out side Door

10th I drawed two Copys of the petition for preventing Mrs Hollends Return and attended a town meeting for accepting or Rejecting the Plan of Government the Comtee proposed twelve or thirteen amendments and alterations which passed unanimous

12th Samll Tirrell junr got a Farrow heifer to keep through the winter the terms were that if she gave a Quart of milk a day it was to answer her keeping and what she came short of that I am to alow him

14th Alexr and our 4 Oxen went and hauled two loads of wood for james Houston and David and the 4 oxen helped them one day to haul the turf and three or four load of wood for their Cole pit about three weeks or a month ago it was on the 18th or 19th of last November

16th I took a proof of Capt Perhams Will for which the Excr john Perham pd me 10/5 and I got two sides of Sole leather from Zech Chandler one weighed 11 £ and the other 8½ £ toward what he owes me I had a jill of W: E: Rum and a mug of N: E: Tody today for which and ½ a mug I had there a few days ago I paid Mrs Chandler 1/10

17th I took the proof of Obidiah Worths Will of Andover for which the

Execr jonathan Weare Esqr paid me 10/6 and I went to Sam^{ll} Moors mill with 2 bushel of corn and a bushel of Rie and had it ground

19th I Run the line between young Abraham Merril and joseph Sanders for Merril I charged a bushel of Rie which he is to answer to Mr Baker for me toward three pecks of Onions my james had from Baker this faul was a year and I took two bushell of corn and one of Rie to Sam^{ll} Moors mill and had it Ground

21st I took two bushel of corn and a bushel of Rie to Sam^{ll} Moors mill but did not get it ground

24th I got the meal home from Sam^{ll} Moors of the Grain I took there the 21st and I settled with Robt jones for all the work he did for me and my sons and Daughters and there was eleven pence the old way and for a load of pine carried to his house that we did not set any price I supposed it was worth the makeing of three pair of shoes due me

27th I agreed with Sam^{ll} Abbot to Cut the stuff on three acres for him at 10/ pr acre I am to fall the trees and cut the limbs and fall all the small trees and bushes that are large

28th I paid joseph McKenzie 17/6 being all I owed him for what Lawn he ever wove for us and took his Rect in full and I went to Deacon smiths mill with two bushel of corn and a bushel of Rie and had it ground and I had the toal

30th I Run lins for Deacon Miller and john Aiken they propose to pay me over awhile and David and Alex^{r} worked at cutting down the stuff on the land I am to cut for Sam^{ll} Abbot the night following there fell a snow about nine or ten inches deep

JANUARY FIRST 1783

I held a Court wherein Esqr Little was Plant and Deacon White was Deft White was Defaulted I gave Esqr Little my part of the fees on acct of his going to Cairns and takeing the acknowledgment of a Deed for me some years ago that he would not take any pay for my part of the fees was 5/9

7th young james Martin helped us with 4 Oxen to draw out logs with his Team and ours we hauled out 18 logs and my Brors Son joseph Cut logs for us

8th Alex^{r} Cut logs for joseph Patten an Exceeding cold day

9th I went to Amherst to the Probate Court and lodged at Smiths

10th I attended the Sessions in the forenoon in the afternoon I bot ½ £ of Copperas a pound of Allum and a Quire of paper from Mr Means for which I paid him 5/ the Regr took all the fees we got that I fell 2/ more in his debt than I was before on our settlement last probate day which was then 41/ my Expences at Smiths was 6/8 which I paid and I paid Mr Smith 7/10 for Col: Goffs Expences at the Superiour Court last Septer and I came to Capt: Lovejoys and lodged there this day and last night and the night following a very Violent Snow Storm the wind at N: E:

11th my Expences at Capt Lovejoys was 3/10 which I paid and I bot 21 £ of fresh Cod from Capt Lovejoy for which I paid him 3/6 and ten pence for his son Abbot bringing them from Mr princes who brot the fish up to

his house and john McIntosh and I broke the path home yesterday I Recd 10/2 from Col: Baldwin for the proof of one Boutells will taken last july and was Reckoned to me by the Regr in our settlement And today I Recd from john Patten a pound of Tea three pound of Coffee and six pound of Shugar came to four dollars on acct of four pine loggs that the boys left at Pentucket last spring that made 1010 feet of boards

On the 6th I bot six pound of Dirty Tallow from Oliver Emerson and am to pay him in Brick there was no price agreed on by Reason that we did not know the price of tallow there was but 5½ £ and an Ounce of it when we scraped the dirt off it It had been too severely tried and was a very dark colour and wasted in the burning in Candles

15th Mr Samll Abbot finished makeing 6 pair of Shoes for us (viz) 2 pair of mens and 4 pair of womens and soled one pair for me and 2 pair for the Girls this week I got a pint of Rum from Chandler to be settled

16th I got 2 £ and 5 ounces of Steel at 1/9 pr £ and a pint of Rum from jacob McGaw for which I paid him 4/10

17th I went to Weare to Grant Admr on Asa Heaths Estate to his Widow and lodged there

18th I granted admr to the widow I charged her 30/ for my journey and the fees and she paid me the money and I came home I was five coppers of Expences at Dows and as I came home I paid Capt Robys wife for Lt Roby of Chester ¼ dollar which I owed him and was to leave it there for him by agreement

20th I took a part of Bar of Forge Iron to Mr Sheds of 33 £ for which he is to let me have Spanish or Sweeds iron to make a chain for loging and he laid an ax for me the Steel was mine and I gave him half a Dollar in money and I granted Guardianship to Thomas Shirley of john Smith for which he paid me a Dollar

22d I went to james Pinkertons and got 1½ £ of snuff an almanack and two Small mugs for wich I paid 7/6 and I took home Mr Giles Slay that I borrowed last March to bring a barrel of Rum on from his house when mine broke there

24th I went to Deacon Smiths Mill with two bushels of corn and one of Rie and Adam Ground it and I had the Toal

25th I went to Deacon Smiths Mill with two bushels of corn and one of Rie and Adam ground it and I had the toal and I paid Adam nine pence for a mug

27th William Newman Steeled the toes of the mares four shoes and Set them the Steel was mine and the iron for half the Nails

28th I went to Deacon Smiths mill with two bushels of corn and one of Rie and Deacon ground it and I had the toal and I gave Deacon Moor and his son three Notifications to hear Thos Murdoughs Deposition taken next Friday at Murdoughs house in Hillsboro

29th I set out for Hillsboro and I lodged at Doctor Hoits in Weare

30th went to Thomas Murdoughs and I lodged there

31st Esqr Andrews came to Murdoughs and took his Deposition and Deacon Moor attended and I came to Esqr Andrews with him and lodged there I gave him 3/4 for his trouble

FEBRUARY FIRST

I came to James Cairns and loged there

2d I came home my Expences this journey was 2/11 beside what I paid Esqr Andrews and I Recd a dollar from Alexr McClintock toward his Admr on his fathers Estate being the first he has paid for the Admr and Return of the Inventory on the 30th of last month I granted Admr on the Estate of Reuben Trusel to his Widow Love Trusel no fees paid

4th Lieut Colburn of Hollis came to have me go to Hollis to settle his sister Smiths admr acct and to order a Distribution of the Estate on which I appointed to go there the 6th and writ a letter to the Regr to meet me there then and Mr Colburn carried it to him

6th I went to Hollis on the above business and lodged at Capt Rogers

7th was on the busines and finished a little before sun set Colburn gave me a note for 2–8–0 for my trouble and I came and lodged at Mr Colburns and he the same Evening he paid me 13/4 of the note Capt Rogers would not take any pay for my Entertainment

8th I came home I Recd 9/4 from the Regr of fees my Expences was 2/ at Spaldings

10th I went to Sheds and he laid an ax for me the iron and Steel his last night there fell a snow ten inches or more deep

12th I went with Lieut Abram Read to the north sid of Goffestown two miles above Esqr Blodgets and took Thos Karr junr wifes Deposition for him in his case with Enos McDaniel he could not pay me

13th I went to Esqr McGregores and I got three pound of shugar and 1½ mug of tody for which I paid 5/3 and I got two old Hogsheads that I did not pay for and I got three pound of shugar there yesterday and ½ a mug of tody for which I paid yesterday 3/9

17th a great Rain and thaw

18th I set out for Amsbury and lodged at Robert McMurphys

19th I arrived at Amsbury and lodged at Mrs. Barnards Exceeding bad traviling

20th spent the day about there and lodged at Mrs Barnards

21st I settled with john Barnard for the 5 dollars he had paid me toward the 4500 feet of Boards he owed me and I took his note for 3900 on Demand and I paid him back a pistereen so as to make the Remainder even Quantity of boards and I came to Robt McMurphys and lodged there

22d I came home but had to leave the Mare at Mr John Griffins and come over against his house on the Ice

23d I went up by Esq McGregores and got over in the boat and got the mare and come over on the Ice at Merrils I had ½ a mug of tody and my ferriage at McGregores for which I paid a shilling my whole Expences this journey was 13/ last week our folks went to Deacon Smiths mill with six bushels of Rie and two of Indian and Adam smith ground it and the boys cleaned up our Rie there was 38½ bushels of it out of 29 Stooks and 8 sheaves we had cleaned 21 bushells in the faul which makes 59½ bushels in all the last years crop

24th we hauld 3 logs with our own team to Orrs mill

25th we hauld 2 logs to Orrs mill

26th we hauld three logs to Orrs mill

27th Wm McLaughlin helped us with their four Oxen and we had four Oxen from my brors and we made two teams and hauld six logs to Orrs mill and David hauld two logs there last week makeing 16 in all that we have now at Orrs mill

28th I attended the funeral of Widow Gillmor

MARCH THIRD

David and Alexr and our four oxen and Cart worked for john and joseph Patten hauling Gravel for their mill dam

4th the two boys and team hauled Gravel as yesterday

5th I went to james Gormans to get spining wheels but got none and in the afternoon Doctor Duston Returned the Inventory of Peter Hearsees Estate and I gave him a Commission to renew and Examin the claims I charged 7/ he paid me 7/4 which is four pence toward the Dollar he owes for administration

7th I spent the day trying to Settle with William Newman I got of his acct from his book which amounted to 3-10-10 Lawful which was kept in Bay old Tenor there was a boat hook made today which was added in the aforesaid sum

8th I spent the day with Mr Rand and Zech Chandler two of a comtee of the town and james Vose at Chandlers on town business which was submitted to me by the comtee and Vose

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MARCH 8 1783

10th I paid Adam Dickey 35/8 by an Order from Lieut Orr as town Treasurer and two Dollars by Capt McLaughlin which McLaughlin Recd from Capt Rusell for me

11th I got a writ from james Underwood agt William Newman after trying to a number of times to get him to settle but could not beside useing me with disagreeable language he agreed that I should have three sheep that Capt McLaughlin has of his keeping for him and that they should be mine from that time but he offered to sell them to Capt McLaughlin afterward

12th I spent all the forenoon and part of the afternoon with Mr Martin on the affair of Newman and mine but he had no authority to Settle after spending so much time

13th I got my bror samlls young sorrel horse and set away about sun set and went to Lieut McCurdys and lodged there

14th I got Sherriff Green and attached William Newmans Double Slea and one trace of Sea cow skin and one horse Collar for which Service I paid Green nine Shillings my Expences was 3/8 and I came home that night

17th james Vose attached three sheep at Capt McLaughlins and a Chimney Crane and the hooks that fastened it in the Chimney of Newmans and I left the sheep with Capt McLaughlin and I took the Crane and hooks and left them at Capt McLaughlin Voses fees was 3/ and he

gave it to me and I went to Robt Giffins and Vendued his place and a pair of Oxen but there was no sale and I got two pails from Asa Swinerton he owed me 4/ the old way since the 24th of November 1781 and I took the two pails for it and I quit him the Remainder and I got six Deed blanks from General Nicholsson toward which I paid him 14/ Bay old tenor he said they were six pence Lawful each

20th I let john Lincoln have one half a bushel of corn by his son for Cooper work he did for us

21st I went to Deacon smiths mill with four bushels of corn and two of Rie and Adam Smith ground it

22^{d} I writ a Mortgage deed for Ensign Chubbuck from him to Sam^{ll} Barnett of the Easterly lott of Wm Barnetts old place and I writ a bill of sale for joseph Symonds of Derryfield for which and the acknowledgment of it I charged him 2/ he promised to leave it at Chandlers for me as he went home

24th Night before last and yesterday there fell a snow of about six inches deep and the boys started before break of day and we hauled five logs to the River we had Major Goffes four oxen to help us with two of them in the afternoon

25th we hauled two logs being the last of the white pine plank logs that the boys had hauled out being 30 in number and 3 board logs that the boys has got to the River this winter

26th was our annual meeting and I swore 32 persons the oath prescribed by the state and I swore the town Clerk and the three Selectmen

27th I got a spining wheel from james Gorman toward my laying off land for him in Derryfield faul was a year and I came to Capt Moors and could not get over the River and lay there over night

28th I swore john Vickere the Oath of Alegince to the State and gave him a Certificate and I writ a power of Attorney for him to Mr Atherton to be paid in corn baskets and I got two Boar pigs from Stephen French

29th I held a court George Little Plat (vs) john Caldwell McNeal Deft the Deft was Defaulted judment for 1-12-6 cost 19/9 execution to be stayed a fortnight Two other writs Returned one George Little Plant (vs) Wm Boyd Deft settled after it came here the other joseph Bell (vs) Hugh Montgomery Deft the case settled here I Recd an order on Capt Hildreth for 24/ to pay my own and Mr Underwoods and the sherif Voses fees the Remainder to be Returned to Bell

APRIL FIRST

the boys with joseph Bell and David C^{a} HOUSTON with Bells oxen and some of Lieut Orrs oxen hauled our 16 Logs onto the ways at Orrs saw mill and we had one log sawed into stuff for Cannoes and joseph Bell and David C^{a} Houston got four boards to make them a Cannoe And I Recd two Dollars from Chandler toward what he owes me and Robt Giffin gave me a Dollar for my Venduing his place the 17th Instant and I Recd a Dollar from Doctor Hoit toward my granting Admr on Reuben Trussells Estate and I lodged at Smiths and I Entered my case against William

Newman for which I paid 10/ and I Recd a Dollar from David Sessions toward the pay for writing deeds for him faul was a year

2d I paid the Clerk 18/ for the Coppy of my case with Deacon Moor

3d was Probate Court the Regr told me he took 15 Dollars of fees I took 3 of them and he had the other 12

4th I attended the Court and William Newman was Defaulted in my case agt him and in the evening I made oath to my acct and the bill of cost taxed and alowed of 2–0–6

5th this day and the two succeeding days I attended the Sessions and came home my Expences at Smiths was 13/2 and at Lovejoys 2/3 on the 2d I gave Thos Willson of Newboston a Dollar to carrie to his son Thos for Tobacca I had from him faul was a year and I Recd 6/8 from Prentice Willard to get some Deeds from Col : Goffe for his father

7th I drawed a license to Mrs Sullivan to sell her husbands Estate and drawed an Advertisement for her of the Sale and Alexr and I went to Lieut Orrs saw mill and drawed off the boards our 16 logs made I had the whole of them and am to pay Orr for sawing them they made 5839 feet

8th I got a pound of snuff and a fine tooth comb from McGaw for which I paid him 4/9 and I swore W Gillmore constable and james Vose & jos Houston Surveyors

9th I writ a Deed from Ensign Chubbuck to john Lincoln and I paid joseph Bell 6/2 the Remainder of his Debt he Sued Hugh Montgomery for which I Recd by an order of 24/ from Montgomery on Capt : Hildreth and on the 4th I paid james Vose 5/ for his service out of the money I Recd from Hildreth and Underwoods part of the fees of 8/1 which he allowed me to keep and give him credit for it in our acct my own fees was 4/9 which made the 24/ I Recd on the order from Capt Hildreth and I went twice to Deacon Smiths mill with two bushells of Rie each time and the Deacon Ground it

10th I took the acknowledgment of a Deed for james Reed unpaid

11th I went Lieut Walkers in Merrymac on a hearing concerning the insufficiency of the Bondsmen on the admr of one Moshers Estate of Hollis the widow gave up her Right to one Tirney they paid the Regr and me two Dollars each and they paid our Expences I had my Brors Sorrel Colt to Ride on and I bot ¼ of Tea ½ a mug of Tody at at MacGaws for which I paid 3/

12th I went to Deacon Smiths mill with two bushels of Corn and the Deacon Ground it for me

14th I took two bushels of corn to Deacon Smiths mill and Adam ground it and I split sticks at Orr mill for sticking up our boards

17th I swore Magnus Beckey to an acct against David Richards and took the acknowledgement of a power for him to james Underwood unpd and I went to Orrs mill and Sticked up 10 stocks of Boards and I come by Mr Alexanders and got two Sow pigs from him on credit

18th I Vendued Mrs Sullivans personal Estate I bid off 5 Cane backt chairs at 15/6 and a musick book at 2/ and I Vendued the place at 182 Dollars to john Boies my pay will go toward what I bot

19th james Vose attached the three Sheep and the Crane by Execution

that was attached by the writ of Newman and advertised them to be sold at Chandlers the 25th Instant at 3 o clock P M

21st we had Thos Lancey and Amos Martin all day And Bishop Coston the afternoon and got the pine Logs over Moors falls and james and David and Bishop Coston went along with them our Expences at McGaws including two pound of shugar I brot home was 5/3 which I paid we had a jill of Brandy a pint and half of West India Rum and two mugs of tody at Chandlers today to be settled in our acct

22d I went to Amherst at Samll Dodges desire to grant Admr to one Mary Nick of Reading of her late Husbands Estate Dodge paid me five Dollars for the fees and my trouble she had a License to Sell the land and I came to Capt Lovejoys and lodged there my Expences there at Lovejoys was 1/6 which I paid

23d I came home from Amherst And the afternoon I went to Capt McLaughlins where james Vose met me and we took the Sheep and Crane to Chandlers and the three sheep were sold for 19/ and the 3 £ of wool for 5/ and the Crane for 20/ all to Underwood for me Voses fees was a dollar there was 3 mugs of today was three pistereens one of them I gave the other two were charged in the expence of the Vendue made 8/5 that there was 35/7 toward the Execution

24th I went and Run some lines for Robt Alexander and Lieut Smith I charged them ½ a Dollar Smith is to pay Alexander the half of it and he to settle with me and Alexr got two bushels of Spring Rie from Mr Benjn Stevens of Goffestown for two of Winter Rie

25th I sowed the two bushels of Rie Alexr got changed yesterday and I went to Widow Gillmores in Goffestown and see the heirs of her husbands Estate sign their Quitclaims and they all acknowledged them Capt Dunlap was not there all the others was I charged them three dollars for writing the four deeds and attendance today and the acknowledgments they could not pay me I writ the four deeds in November 1780 but did not then charge for them and have charged them this day

26th I went to Orrs mill and Sticked up the Remainder of our boards and the afternoon I attended Samll Trulls funeral who was drowned in Goffes falls the sun about hour high at night the 24th Instant

28th I workt a building Rocks under the Rail fence by Frenches

29th I Arbitrated with Capt McLaughlin between john McIntosh and Ensign Chubbuck and Elisha Lincoln of the damage they did by Gathering tar pine on McIntoshes land they settled and Chubbuck and Lincoln was to pay me I did not tell them what I charged and I attended a town meeting and I Recd a Dollar from Capt Dunlap ¾ of it the allowed toward his part of the Deeds &c of the Settlement of Robt Gillmores Estate among the heirs and the other ¼ he allowed for Whitefield Gillmors toward his part and the Remaining ½ dollar of Whitefields I offset for the use of his harrow faul was two year harrowing in my Robts Rie

30th Mr Samuell Abbot sowed on a pair of Soles on my Shoes a pair on Alexr and went to McGaws and got ½ a pound of snuff for which I paid 2/

MAY FIRST

I had my Brors Roand Colt and I went to Concord Expecting that Nath^{ll} Green would have sold Newmans Slay but he had not advertised it and come to Capt Tods and I lodged there at free cost only ½ a mug of Tody I gave /9/ pence and I would not take any change my Expences was 3/ on the journey and I bot ¼ of Tea from Duncan for which I paid 1/10

2^{d} I came home about the middle of the day

3^{d} David with our four oxen workt for jas Wallace

5th james Wallace and his pair of Oxen workt for us acros plowing by Frenches

6th I went to Amherst with Col: Goffes and our james David and Alex^{r} as witnesses in Deacon Moors Case and mine but there being but two judges beside Mr Livermore we could not have it tried and I came home to bring several Depositions I had taken last year for james Underwood and the boys came home also

7th the boys and I went back to Amherst Col: Goffe staied there Deacon Moor got the case continued and in the afternoon judge Langdon came

8th I thot Deacon Moor would be willing to go with me and have the case determined and I writ him a line but he sent me for answer that he was not Ready and the case was continued I was so Sanguine in the matter that he would be willing to have it tried that I got Col: Goffe and my three sons to go over but was wholy disappointed by his Refusal

9th We all came home the first day of the Court I give General Sullivan four Dollars I gave him three last faul made seven and I gave my note for ten Dollars more on Demand with Intrest Col: Goffes my own and my three sons Expences was 26/ four of it I paid at Lovejoys and the Remaining 22/ I owe to Smith and in the afternoon I went to the falls but could not catch a fish and borrowed a shad from David Farmer and bot two from Benjn Karr for which I paid him a shilling and I came to Esqr MacGregores and got 4 £ of shugar for which I paid ½ a Dollar and I had ½ a bowle of punch for which I paid nine pence james bot 13 Elwives at Cohass brook for which he paid a penny apeice On the 7th I granted admn Debonis non on the Estate of joshua Hale to his oldest son for which he paid me 10/6

10th the boys planted two bushels of potatoes

12th they planted some more than 2 ½ bushel of potatoes and David got 60 Elwives at Cohass and I got 7 at the falls and I got a Cake of Chocolate at Esqr McGregores that I did not pay for

13th I gave David 8/ to go to Pentucket to see to Sell his logs he had there he helped Widow Riddels son down with their Raft and I got ¼ bushell of oats from Lieut Vose for which I paid 4/5 and I got 4 bushell of potatoes from john Wallaces sons for which I paid 10/ and our james got 250 Elwives at Cohass Brook

14th I sowed the Oats I got at Lieut Voses yesterday and I sowed about seven Quarts of peas and I took two bushels of Rie to Deacon Smiths mill but did not get it ground and left it and I got a peck of Salt from Adam

Smith and promised to pay it the latter end of this week or the beginning of next

15th I Run lines for Col: Goffe on his place in Derryfield

17th Adam Smith Ground the two bushels of Rie I took to mill the 14th and I took two bushels of Rie there today and I paid Adam Smith 3/ for the peck of Salt I had from him the 14th Instant

19th Deacon Smith Ground the two bushels of Rie I took there to mill the 17th and I took two bushels of Indian corn there today And I writ a long Deed and Mortgage and five notes and took the acknowledgments the Deeds for David Sessions and Levi Hastings for which I charged them a Dollar and Sessions paid me the half of it

20th I took two bushels of Rie to Deacon Smiths mill and left it and I got the Meal of the Indian I took there yesterday the Deacon ground it

21st james brot home the Cow from Samuel Turrils junr that he had a wintering for us and I went to McGaws and I got ½ a pound of Snuff and ¼ of Tea for which I paid him 3/8 And james and David went to the Falls to try for Eels David got 4 and james got none

22d I knit an Ellwive net and james went to Litchfield

23d I went to the falls and got 5 shad and I staid till into the Evening and james came and I then come off home my brors joseph fished with us the afternoon and Evening we got before I came away I suppose about 15 Eels

24th joseph Patten and james came home and brot 40 Eels apeice Alexr went up for them with his Uncles mare and I lent David Moor a bushel of Rie

26th james and David and I went to the falls to fish for Eels james and I got 155 Eels at the setting place David got 52 on the Island 20 of them David let Bob Spear have 32 of them. come home And I lent Capt McLaughlins wife a bushel of Rie on the 23d I had ½ a bowle and a Glass of W: I: Rum at Esqr McGregores on Credit and ½ a bowle of Brandy tody today I had a pint of Brandy to carrie to the setting place on Credit and jos Patten paid the pint next morning

27th David sent home 17 Eels on his uncles mare and I fished at our Setting place and I catched 3 shad and about 30 Elwives the shad was stole by Bob Richards and I found it out and he promised to give me 3 more in their Room and the night following I got 47 Eels

29th last night David and I got 244 Eels 80 of them my bror brot home on his Mare and I let Capt Dunlap have 60 and David ordered joseph Craig 20 but he got none and Robert Morrill got them being 104 and I had ½ pint of W: I: Rum at McGregores today and a pint yesterday on credit

30th I brot Home the two bushels of Rie meal from Deacon Smiths mill I took the rie there the 20th the Deacon ground it and I took two bushels of Rie there to day and left it

31st james and David got 250 Eels they let Lieut Orr and Lieut Adam Smith have 182 toward Sawing and Toal of grain I had from them

JUNE 2d

I got ½ a pint of Rum from Zech Chandler on credit and I went to the falls and I got 4 shad I catched them in the Pulpit and I got 5 Eels at the setting place in the night following and I gave Wm Bell 4 of them for two mugs of Cydar I had from him and I sent Alexr to Samll Smiths of Newboston for a Mare I bot from him the 31st ult I am to give 7-10-0 for her and to pay it to Samll Goffe in a year with Intrest

3d I went to james place and took out his provision for him and Run Round the land I bot of Stinson farm and Northside and East end of What I bot of the Dorr lot so called

4th I granted administration on the Estate of Daniel Flanders late of Warner to his Widow Apphia for which she paid me 10/6 And my Polly paid jacob McGaw a dollar for a £ of Snuff a ¼ of Tea pins &c and I gave Samll Goffe my note for 22 ½ ounces of Silver for the Mare I had of Smith yesterday

5th The forenoon I drawed a Wart to set of Widow McCoys Dower and a License to the Admr Samll Farrington to Sell part of the Estate And the afternoon I held a Court between William McDuffee Copt and William Duncan Respt for lieing I judged Duncan Guilty from which he Appealed on the 4th I made out a wart to set off to Widow McCoy her Dower out of her late husband Frances McCoys Estate and a License to the Admr to sell his Estate to pay his debt the fees unpd

6th was a prety Refreshing Rain tho not a great Quantity And in the afternoon I went to the Falls and I Catched a Small Salmon and A shad and Alexr came up at Evening and he and Samll Patterson and I fished Eels and we got 85 among us Alexr and I had Fifty seven And Patterson paid Alexr 8 that he owed him and Alexr let Matthew McVea have 24 Eels I had a jill of W: I: Rum last night and another this morning at Esqr McGregors on credit

9th I took two bushels of Rie to Deacon Smiths mill and I brot home Meal of two bushels of Rie I took there the 30th ult and I Run some lines for the two Doles I charged them 1½ bushel of Corn they did not pay me and I held a Court james Cairns Plant (vs) Barnabas McGinnes Deft the Deft was Defaulted

10th I Recd a shilling from Isaac Riddel for takeing the Acknowledgment of a Deed from Nathll Spoford to him some time ago

11th I Run lines for Ensign Benjn Vickere to be paid next faul and I bot 4 £ of shugar McGaw for which I paid him 3/

12th I brot home the five chairs from Mrs Sullivans that I bot at her Vendue the 18th of last April and Mrs Sullivan made a present to our Polly of a broken Oval table there was one leg gone and one leaf was in three pieces and cant be mended

14th I went to McGaws and got ½ £ of Snuff ¼ of Tea a yard of Callimanco and 5 yards of shoe linging for which I paid him 5/7

17th I took two bushels of Rie to Deacon Smiths mill and left it and brot home the meal of the two bushels I took there the 9th

18th I took two bushels of Rie to Deacon Smiths mill and left it

and brot home the Meal of the two bushels I took there yesterday And Alex^{r} took two bushels this in the afternoon and left it and brot home the Meal of the two bushels I took there today and james fell trees between & the meadow and he and Abel Turril fell trees there the 16th Turril workt for james and the 17th james hoed for us

19th Abel Turril fell trees for us in my james pay and we hoed potatoes

20th A great Shower and I went to Col Goffes for to Get what Deeds he had for Col: Willard of land in the township of Dartmouth he said he had but one and that not paid for that if I took it I must Engage to pay Eight Dollars which I would not do

21st Samuel Abbot made a pair of shoes for me at my house and james Houston set two shoes on my mares fore feet And I went to Deacon

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JUNE 21st 1783 AND PART OF SAID DAY.

Smiths Mill and took two bushels of Rie with me and left it and I brot home the meal of the two bushels of Rie Alex^{r} took there the 18th

23^{d} Alex^{r} took two bushels of Rie to Deacon Smiths mill and left it

24th I went out to james place to help him to frame his Corn barn and joseph and Alex^{r} went out to day to help him and David went out yesterday and put the Cills together and Alex^{r} got four Gallon of Rum from Adam Dickey to use at the frame and Rais it and I took it out with me

25th we all framed

26th we got Ready and finished Raising by sun Set and Jos David and I went to Alex Gilcrists and lodged over night

27th we all came home and in the Afternoon I went to Chandlers to try a case between Alex^{r} Willson and james Hunters wife they left it to Arbitration which was not finished untill next morning we were up all night I got a Dollar for my fees

28th I came home the Sun about an hour high and Slept untill nine oclock and in the afternoon I went to Chandlers to arbitrate between james Patterson and john Riddel I got home about Dark

30th my james brot me two bushels of Indian corn from Esqr Underwoods on David Lolleys account being for my Runing lines for Lolley a day last faul And on the 27th I writ a deed from her that was Sarah Barron to Phineas Aiken and took the acknowledgment for which they paid me 2/

JULY FIRST

I went to McGaws and I got ½ £ of Tea and four £ of shugar and got a pound of snuff changed that our Polly got there the 4th of last june and ½ a mug of Brandy tody for which I paid him 6/6 and I came home by Deacon Smiths and brot home the Meal of the two bushels of Rie I took there the 21st of june and last night I brot home the meal of the two bushels Alex^{r} took there the 23d of june And yesterday in the afternoon I gave William McDuffie a summons for Lieut james Moor and I attended at Widow Riddels and swore the Witnesses in his and William Newmans case before the Arbitrators and David and Alex^{r} finished cutting down two acres for Sam^{ll} Abbot

2d james Houston Sharpened my seed plow Irons and we began to Mould our Corn and I took Wm Wallaces two Inch Auger that we had at james Barn frame

3d I went to Amherst to the Probate court the Regr took all the fees and had not enough by I forgot how much since last probate day I had done more than him I came home in the Evening my Expences was 2/1 and I Recd two Dollars from William Duncan toward the cost in the case between him and William McDuffie and a note for six dollars more

4th we workt at moulding the corn and potatoes

5th Underwoods man Powers helped us he and I workt at Piscataquog Bridge a Repairing it and I took the two bushels of Indian corn to Samll Moors mill that my james brot from Esqr Underwoods the 30th of june last and left it

7th we workt at Moulding the corn and beans

8th I got home the meal of the corn I left at Samuel Moors mill the 5th and I got a Gallon of Molasses and a bushel of Salt and 8 Crowns from Adam Dickey toward the boards he sold of mine at Amsbury

9th we plowed among and hoed at the Corn by Frenches

10th was a day of Rejoicing in this town on acct of the peace and I Recd a dollar from William Duncan toward his note he gave me for the cost in his case with Willm McDuffie and he (viz) Duncan settled with the Constable and paid him and john Riddel Hugh Riddel and john Moor forgive their fees the Constables and the three Witnesses fees and the dollar he gave me I endorsed on the note being 1-1-5 and in the afternoon and Evening several thunder showers which produced a great deal of Rain

11th and 12th moulded at the corn by Frenches on the 11th was considerable of Rain

14th was a great shower and we hoed about half the day by Frenches

15th I sent 1-8-0 Lawful by my james to William Patterson of Litchfield being all I owed him and his son Peter for grain and a Dollar Peter lent me last faul as I was going to Newbury and I also sent a Dollar and he got ½ £ of Tea and 4 £ of shugar at McGaws for which he paid 5/6 and he brot a bushel of corn of his own from Litchfield and had it ground at Deacon Smiths mill

16th we finished hoeing our corn by Frenches and in the afternoon we began to plow the north field and David set out for Newbury

17th we plowed all day

18th and 19th Alexr and I plowed

21st David and I plowed in the forenoon Alexr was unwell and in the afternoon I got james Houston to lay the Colter of my Breaking up plow irons the Iron and Steel mine and Sharped the Shear

22d I had joseph Patten and their three pair of Oxen and Grigs Goffe and his fathers four Oxen helping us break up between and the meadow and Ebenr French helped us drive and I got two Quarts of Rum from Chandler

24th An exceeding hot day that it killed some of the French turnip leaves and the edges of a number of the leaves

25th very hot the forenoon in the afternoon a Shower which cooled the Air

26th I sent Alexr to Litchfield and he got a bushel of Corn from james Nochar junr toward my Runing lines for him last faul and he got 4 £ of shugar from Majr McQueston for which he paid 2/8 and he got ½ £ of tea at McGaws for which he paid 2/6 and his ferriage and ½ a mug of tody and 4 fish hooks he paid 1/2 and we finished fellowing Ground for Rie

31st we all went up to Robts place and began to mow a Polly got 16½ £ of pork from Mr Alexander toward which she paid 13/4 and I got two Glass bottles full of Rum from Samll Barnet and I gave him ¼ of a dollar and I went to john Craigs and lodged there

AUGUST 1st

I got two Glass bottles full of Rum from Samll Barnet which made a Gallon all but ½ a pint and I gave him 14/ Bay O: T:

2d We had Abel Turrill helping Reap at james Rie he Cut his fingers before noon that he could not Reap and Robt Spear Reaped in the afternoon and I Reaped the Afternoon and jamey and Alexr Reaped all day we all Reaped 18 Stooks

4th I got 1½ Gallon of Rum from Samuel Barnet and james and David got two quarts from him as they were going to the woods with the team and I gave him 6/8 toward the Rum we have got and he filled in ½ a gallon more next day into the bottles

5th Zechariah Pike came with Barnet McCaine and Reaped an acre ¾ of it was for David Rafting a day for Pike last spring And I had Underwoods hired man john Hopkinson who came in the morning and Underwood and his other hired man Whitcomb Powers and Reaped and Pike and McCain helped us after they had finished their acre and we finished about the middle of the afternoon there was 27 Stooks of it and Alexr Reaped 2½ Stooks yesterday makes 29½ Stooks I have in all this year at home and I went to the woods to the james and David after we finished Reaping

6th james and I finished Reapeing his Rie he has 37 stooks in all and David carted in 31 Stooks of Rie out of Samll Goffes field into james Barn for Robt Spear for which he is to have 3 bushell of Rie and David took in 9½ stooks of Rie for Samll Goffe and for helping his team up the hill Goffe is to give him a bushel of Rie and I came home and I got two Gallon of Rum from Samll Barnet on credit

7th I went to Londonderry to get Scyth whet stones and lodged at Robt McMurphys

8th I got a pound of Snuff at james Pinkertons for which I paid 4/ and I came by Thomas Highlands and brot home the Chair I bot off Mrs Sullivan that was there I was trusted for my ferriage at Smith Alexr began to Mow at the little meadow yesterday in the afternoon and David brot home a jag of hay from Robts place

9th last night was a great deal of thunder and some considerable of Rain and we went to the meadow and Raked and cocked 14 cocks and mowed some in the Governor lott

10th last night was a great frost touched aboundance of the corn leaves Potatoes and Beans

14th james brot us ½ £ of Tea from McGaws for which I sent 2/8

18th was a Rainy day and at Evening a great thunder shower Rained very hard and I went to james Gormans and got him to make a new heck for my wifes wheel and I writ a Summons for Thomas Whitle junr and a Notification to Colo Thornton to hear Depositions taken at Whitles house the 23d

19th Abel Turil came to work for me and brot Amos Gardner to work on his acct and they and I Reaped our Oats and the Afternoon they went to the meadow and mowed with David and Alexr

21st I brot home two load of hay and Elisha Lincoln workt for me for my writing two Leases between him and james Patterson I carted home two load of hay and David Houston and Isaac Rowel workt for us at the meadow

22d joseph Patten brot two load of hay for me from the meadow and I brot two load and David Houston workt for us

23d james McLaughlin workt for us and I got 1½ pint of Rum from Chandler on credit and I went to Litchfield and took three Depositions in Thorntons case and Whitles I charged them two Dollars and Colo Chase and james Nochar junr paid me the money and I Recd a Dollar from Benjn Blodget toward my Runing lines last faul on Brintons farm and I got five pound of shugar at McGaws for which I paid 3/4 and I paid seven pence for my ferriage at Reads

25th David workt for David Houston it came on Rain in the afternoon and Rained exceeding hard Alexr and I went to the meadow and finished mowing and brot home a load of hay in the Rain it soaked through the load before I got home

26th The Girls spread our flax and I cut a few Stalks being the first

27th I went to Amherst by Appointment to Examin three of the Trustees (viz) Fletcher Baldwin and Holms Baldwin came but his acct was not drawed Right and could not Fletcher did not attend altho he was there in town and Holms was sick the Regr and I did as much Probate business as he gave me 7/2 my Expences was 4/8 and I paid Mr Smith 1/ toward my Expences at his house at Superiour court last May and took out an Alis Execution against Newman for which I paid 1/10 and I came to Capt Lovejoys and lodged there

28th I came home in the morning before breakfast

29th I cut Stalks and I Recd a Dollar from Samuel Farrington in part of the fees for a Wart to set off Widow McCoys Dower and a License to sell of the Real Estate they were drawed the beginning of last june and David got ½ £ of Tea at McGaws for which he paid 2/16

30th David thrashed three Stooks and two sheaves and there was about 1¼ bushel of Rie out of it and I got it ground at Samll Moors mill he forgot to toal it

SEPTEMBER FIRST

I Run lines for Mr Barnet of this town he paid me ½ a Dollar and is to make me as good a Shoad Shovel as he can make for the Remainder of my

day and David went up to clear at the backside of the town the peice he had cut down and burnt over last year and Alex^{r} swingled some flax of Sam^{ll} Goffes and he and john Parker made it into a Rope the Rope weighed 3 £ and an Ounce

2^{d} I went out to David with some provisions and on my way I went to john Bell junr and took the minuts to draw his Will by

3^{d} I drawed John Bell junrs will and took it to him and Settled accts with him and he fell 3/6 in my debt and I went to Silas Doles to get Rie for my Runing lines for him and his bror last summer but he had not cleaned it as he promised and I waited to see him till near night but he did not come home that I got none and I left a bag to put the Rie in when he cleaned it

4th and 5th I cut the Stalks between and the Meadow

6th I writ a Deed from john Mitchel of Francestown to Sam^{ll} Barnett and took the acknowledgement Mitchel paid me a Shilling and Barnett discounted a shilling of what I owed him for Rum and he discounted six pence more toward the Rum for some writing and casting of Intrest between him and Ensign Chubbuck and Chubbuck gave me eight pence And I writ a deed from David Sessions to one john Corlis junr of Haverhill and took the acknowledgement and some other writings for which Corlis paid me three shillings

8th james and David and I cut Stalks by Frenches in the forenoon and they finished cuting the afternoon And Alex^{r} finished cuting Stalks at home and in the afternoon I went to Sam^{ll} Moors Mill with 1½ bushel of Rie and got it Ground and james Willson of New Boston summoned me to the Superior Court an Evidence and gave me two pistereens

9th I intended to set out to go to see our Robt but it proved a Rainey day and I did not go and I got the shoes on my Mares fore feet set and toed the Iron for Nails and toeing was mine

10th I set out for Newbury port and lodged at Doctor Baileys in Newbury Newtown

11th I arrived at Danvers and see our Robt and lodged at Mr Felps where he lived

12th I got justice Putnam to take Robt Depos^{n} to be used in Deacon Moors case and mine and I got ½ a Quintal of Cod fish for which I paid two dollars and I came to Willmington and lodged there I dont know the tavernkeeper name

13th I came home and on my way home I bot ½ £ of tea 1½ Do of chalk and a Gimblet at McGaws for which articles I paid 3/4 my expences this journey was 8/1 I carried Oats and Victals with what was given me that I bot none

15th I went and got 1½ bushel of Rie from Silas Dole for my Runing lines for him and his bror Stephen the 9th of last june and I got ½ a bushel of Rie from Stephen Dole and I swore him to two parcels of Rum he brot from Newbury from two diferant men and gave him two seperate captions I suppose it will pay the ½ bushel of Rie and I took the acknowledgment of a Deed for Sam^{ll} Vose junr for which he paid me a shilling

16th I attended at Chandlers with james Patterson and john Riddel in the afternoon to settle their accts

17th I took the two bushels of Rie I got at Doles to Samll Moors mill and got it ground

18th I writ a power of attorney for old Robert Cunningham and took the acknowledgement for which I charged him 1/6 he could not pay me down

19th was a Rainy day and I writ a Deed for james Patterson and my wife got six cups and Saucers of China from john Boies junr

22d I got word of our Beaf Cow (who has been mising a fortnight) by Mr Benjn Stevens of Goffestown who came to tell me of her she was at his house and I went and got her and took her to my Robts field where she had been Mr Stevens nor his son would not take any pay for what they had kept her nor for their trouble

23d I went to McGaws and got 3 £ of Shugar for which I paid 2/ and I got a ½ bushel basket from john Vickere I had done writing &c for him to pay it and am to have two off him more of 1½ bushell each yesterday I cleaned up 9¼ bushels of Rie was the last we have of our own we had but 12 bushels in all this year

24th james Houston had my young oxen and Cart the Afternoon geting in his corn

25th james Houston made a Pick for me of an old Ax and the bit of another of mine a Rainey day

26th john Patten helped our boys to butcher our Newman Cow she weighed 280 £ of Beaf and 40½ of hide and I went to james Pattersons and measured off 15½ acres for him of a lott he bot at Cairns Vendue and our james sowed 4¾ bushels of Rie in the back field

27th I took 1½ bushel of our own Rie to Samll Moors mill and I borrowed ½ a bushel of Indian corn off his wife and had the corn ground and I left the Rie

29th james and I gathered the Remainder of the corn between and the meadow

30th james David and I and Col Goffe went to Amherst on my case with Deacon Moor and we all lodged there

OCTOBER FIRST

My Case came on in the afternoon I gained ten shillings damage and cost

2d we got the bill taxed it came to 19–13–4

3d The Deacon son james paid the bill of cost Except 35/ james Underwood gave me his note for I gave General Sullivan 20 dollars of a fee with what I gave him before and I gave Mr Dane six dollars for his service at this court my Expences and my two sons was 1–8–0 and Col Goffes Expences at Smiths was 6/10 with a bowle of punch I had And I paid Smith the 6/10 and 21/ I owed him of last Superiour court Expences and paid Mr Elsworth our Expences there which was 28/ and I sent two Dollars by Thos Willson of Newboston to his son Thos for Tobacca I had from him two or three years ago this faul I was 1/6 of Expences at Capt Heldreths and /6 at Capt Lovejoys my sons Expences by themselves I suppose was

about a dollar and I came home in the Evening and Alex^{r} Willson paid 6/4 of my expences at Elsworths being on acct of my being an Evidence in his and his bror james case over and above the 1-8-0 above said and I give the jury a dollar to drink

6th I went to Litchfield and I paid Esqr Claget 18 Crowns for his fees in my case to Deacon Moor and I bot ½ an ounce of snuff and 2 ounces of Indigo at Majr McQuestions for which I paid 2/2 and I bot at McGaws ½ £ of Tea and 2 £ of shugar and a pair of Sizers for which I paid 4/9 with a Glass of W: I: Rum made in tody my ferriage at Reads was /8 and I writ a power of Attorney from one john Peters to Samuel Moor of this town and tok the acknowledgement which Moor promised to pay which is 2/ On the first I Recd 13/4 from Esqr Worster toward his note for which I gave him a Rect and I Recd two dollars from Adam Dickey toward what he owes me for boards he sold of mine last May

8th David got seven jills of Rum from Chandler for me to be settled in our acct and I went to Sam^{ll} Moors Mill with 1½ bushel of new corn and had it ground and I took the proof of Deacon Littles Will for which the Execr paid me 8/ and Levi Whitman worked for me today at the Cellar for my writing a Deed for him and the acknowledgment

9th a considerable Rain last night and today the wind is N: E: I went to Amherst and I attended the Sessions and did some Probate business and lodged at Ellsworths

10th I attended the Sessions and did some Probate business the forenoon the Regr took what fees we got and in the afternoon I granted an Admr of Eben^{r} Collins Estate to his widow I got them fees which was 8/ I bot as many things at Means as I paid 4/ for and as many things at Alfords as I paid 6/ my Expences was 7/6

13th I took 1½ bushel of our corn to Sam^{ll} Moors Mill and got a bushel of Rie from james Gillmore for the bushel I lent David Moor last Summer and got it all Ground

14th Alex^{r} and I began to dig potatoes we Diged 10 or 11 bushells and put them in the Celar under the house at home

15th we all hands workt at Diging potatoes we Diged 40 bushells and put them in a hole back of the house

16th David and Alex^{r} and I finished diging potatoes at home the boys had 20 bushels and we had 10 ours 10 bushels we put into Frenches Celar

17th The boys buried their 20 bushels in a hole and I went to Sam^{ll} Moors mill with two bushels of corn and had it ground and he allowed the ½ bushel of corn I borrowed from his wife the 27th of last Septer for my writing a power of attorney the 6th Instant from one john Peters to him which he promised to pay

18th Was a great Rain all day and the whole night following In the afternoon I attended the funeral of john Bell junior

19th Rained all the fore part of the day hard the afternoon it Snowed untill some time in the night it fell two inches deep or more the wind at N: E: all this storm which was Violent and tedious

20th the Rain made a good freshet for takeing down Stuff in the River and We got two pair of Oxen from Majr Goffe and two pair from Mr

Martin and a pair from Chandler and Icabod Martin with them and jas Walker junr and a pair of oxen and josiah Patten and two pair and we hauled our Oak timber out of the River we have about 20 Tun of it and I borrowed a Gallon of Rum from Chandler and I had two mugs of W: I: Tody from Chandlers on credit to treat the hands after we had done

21st I went to McGaws and got a Gallon and ½ a pint of Rum and two ounces of Indigo for which I paid him 5/9 and I brot the Rum to Chandlers and paid him the Rum I borrowed from him yesterday and my wife sent 10 knots of brown thread to McGaws for which he gave two pair of knitting needles and james and Alexr and William ORian got in two jags of corn from French William Came here to work the 3d of this month

22d we got in the last of our corn by Frenchs and Beans and diged a bushel of potatoes of them that growed there and I went to Deacon Smiths mill with two bushels of Corn and had it ground

23d A Rainy day

24th I went to Majr McQuestions and I got a pound of snuff and a pound of Tobacca 5/2 and I had ½ a Bowle of W: I: Tody at McGaws for which I paid /6 and William Reed allowed my ferriage for his cuting some oak joyce sticks by Moses Vickeres

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM OCTOBER 24th 1783

25th I diged about 8 bushels of potatoes by Frenches

27th I sheled two bushels of corn and took it to Deacon Smiths mill and Adam ground it and I had the Toal and the afternoon I went to jacob McQueads and Vendued the west end of his farm for him David Riddel bot it for 301 dollars

28th joseph Bell helped us at stoning the Cellar the forenoon and john McLaughlin james all day and I diged 7 bushels of potatoes by Frenches

29th I borrowed a Stone hamer at john Moors and finished diging potatoes by Frenches we had 18 bushels there this year

30th 31st and November 1st john MacLaughlins james helped us about the Cellar and on the 31st john Nut helped us in the afternoon on Stephen Frenches acct and on the 1st I got 1½ Gallon of Rum from joseph Davis on acct of what Underwood owes me

3d I took a deed off Job Holebrook of Woodstock of the lott No 10 in the 2d Rang in Bedford for which I gave him a Note for 14 £ payable in a year with Intrest and a note to Major Goffe for 40/ on Demand and sent the deed with Holebrook to Concord to have him acknowledge it and leave it for me in Concord and we got a number of men and took our frame down

4th & 5th we had Frenches Steers and we hauled the frame to the Cellar by Frenches and I got 3 Gallon of Rum from joseph Davis on Underwoods acct

6th I got 1½ Gallon of Rum from Davis on acct as above and we Raised the frame on the Cellar by Frenches and john Nutt helped us the forenoon on Frenches acct

7th I settled with William ORyan for all he has workt for me this faul

he workt 20 days in all he charged 2/ pr day and I paid 6/8 and David paid him 6/ toward it

8th I got 1½ bushel of corn and about three pecks of Rie ground by Deacon Smith he has taken the toal of what he has ground for me this faul but I am to have the Toal of what he grinds for me more for pay and I sent Alexr to Abrm Moor for my old Oxen they have been there three weeks he charged ½ a dollar a week and Alexr paid him a dollar of it

10th john Patten helped us butcher our Sparked Ox he weighed 448 of Beaf and 72 of the hide Matthew Mc aVea got a hind quarter that weighed 108 and Ensn Chubbuck and john Lincoln got the two fore quarters they weighed 236 to be paid in Shingles the other hind quarter we kept the price of the beaf is 20/ pr hundred

12th I had joseph Patten and their six Oxen and wheels and john MacLaughlins four Oxen and Wheels and Frenches wheels and hauled what boards we had at Lieut Orrs mill to the frame there is I suppose about 5500 of them we brot them at four loads james Houston made a new link of my Iron and shut three other links in my small draft chain and yesterday he mended a hook of a draft chain of Chandlers for me it was broke drawing our timber out of the River and it began to snow in the afternoon and fell near 3 inches deep

17th I took two bushels of Indian corn to Deacon Smiths mill and he ground it for me and I had the Toal and joseph Bell did some fitting at my Mares shoes & set all four of them the Iron for the nails and Steel mine and in the evening took the acknowledgment of a Deed for Ensign Chubbuck I writ the deed for him last week it was from Levi Chubbuck and his wife

18th I got 750 board nails from Elisha Lincoln in the lieu of 1½ M of Shingle nails he owed me since spring was a year for Potatoes and I got 693 shingle nails and 53 board nails in the room of 106 shingle nails from Amos Gardner toward what he owes me being equal to 800 of shingle nails and he owes me 4200 of shingle nails yet and I got leave from john Bell to Stick to make 14 joyce for the lower floor of our frame and I fell the Sticks

19th Alex and I went and hauled the joyce Sticks to the frame and we cut and twitched out the path Five sticks to make Ribs for a Barn and james Mann left two Dollars with my wife to pay what he owed me

22d I took 3 bushels of corn to Deacon Smiths Mill and two of it ground and one made into Samp and I went to McGaws and I got ½ a pound of Tea and a pound of Snuff and ½ a bowle of Tody for which I paid 6/7

24th john Patten helped us to butcher our Bright Ox he weighed 455 £ of beaf and 73 of a hide and I writ an agreement between one Andrew Bailey of Peterborough & james Gillmore for which I charged a shilling and Bailey paid me 7 pence of it and I Recd 1/6 from Robt Cunningham for my writing a power of attorney and the acknowledgment this faul and I Recd 9/5 from Wm Duncan being the Remainder of the bill of costs in the case that Wm McDuffee prosecuted him last summer and our Robts old mare died

25th I let Matthew McAvea have a quarter of our Ox we butchered it

weighed 124 £ and I got a bushel of salt from Adam Dickey toward what he owes me for the boards he sold of mine last Spring

26th I writ a pair of Leases for john Riddle from Wm McAllester to him and his brors David and Hugh I charged ½ a dollar or a bushell of corn

27th David and Alexr and I boarded at the Roof of the frame David bot 3000 of board nails at McGaws for which he paid of his own money 27/ the 21st Instant

28th There fell a snow 8 or 10 inches deep

29th I got a side of Sole leather from French of 18½ £ and a large side of upper leather

DECEMBER FIRST

James went to McGaws and got a ¼ of peper and ¼ of Tea and 3 £ of shugar and a jill of Rum for which he paid 4/11 I sent the money by him

2d Alex with our Oxen workt for Capt McLaughlin or his son William and I swore james Martin concerning four barrels of Rum he had from joseph Tylor and certifid the same

3d William McLaughlin and their 4 oxen helped us draw out logs they hauled out 8 to the field by the barn and took one to the River

5th I went to Deacon Smiths mill with two bushells of corn and the Deacon ground it and we butchered our two hogs they weighed 420 £

8th I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for Jonathan Rand not paid for

9th I writ a Deed and took the acknowledgment for Samuell Garvin of Dunbarton unpaid

10th I agreed with Samll Garvin for to make me long shingles to cover the Roof of a barn and Clapboards to cover our new house to be brot to the School house by Martins the price to be left to men if we dont agree ourselves

11th WAS THANKSGIVEING THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES BY ORDER OF CONGRESS

13th I went to Deacon Smiths mill with two bushels of corn and two bushels and a little more of Rie that our james sent Down by David the 10th but did not get it ground

15th we Hewed the Remainder of the joice for the lower floor for the frame and sawed them at proper lengths

16th I Run the north line of the home lott No 44 for james Martin and Thos Lancey as Guardian for Abel Barron I charged them one half a Dollar each Martins to be paid in Oxens work

17th I went and brot home the meal of the Grain I took to Deacon Smiths mill the 13th the Deacon ground it and toaled it

18th I went to Litchfield to get a Writ for james Smith I had to pay a Shilling for my ferriage at Reads and I bot ½ a pound of Tea and 5 £ of shugar at McGaws and ½ a bowle of Tody for which I paid 5/6

19th james Martin and his fathers four oxen helped us draw out Logs

20th David and our two oxen helped Martin draw out oak timber and I got one half a bushell of salt from Adam Dickey toward the boards he sold of mine last spring

22d I went and took our jamesⁿ weeks provision to Samⁱⁱ Turrils and David and Alexʳ got some wood and I got a side of sole leather from Stephen French that weighed 17½ £

23d I drawed an acct for Robᵗ Cunningham and swore him to it for which he paid me 1/7

25th I went to Zech Pikes to arbitrate between him and his uncle Francis Lovejoy but did not proceed by Reason that Bonds not brot from Mr Danas in Amherst and I went to Widow Walkers and lodged there

26th I went to Mr Sheds and helped him to make 12 new links and a new hook of his Iron for a draft chain he made the Rest of the chain last winter it weighed 16 £ alltogether and was allmost 10 feet long we concluded it took 19 £ of iron he made it of his iron in lieu of a barr of iron I let him have of 32¾ £ weight last winter that he had 13¾ £ in the bar toward the makeing And I gave Samuell Kennedy a notification to give to Esqr Little to come and here some Depositions taken at Rogers in Goffestown the 29th

29th I went to Rogers and took three Depositions for Samⁱⁱ Kennedy for which he gave me a Dollar and on my way went by Andrew Walkers and bot from Mrs Gregory 3 aul blades 12 shoemaker tacks and a file for which I paid her 2/

30th I went to Deacon Smiths mill and took 1½ bushell of corn with me and had it ground I had the toal and David and our 4 oxen workt for Wᵐ McLaughlin I whet part of my Cross cut Saw

31st I finished wheting and Gumming my Saw and David Houston mended my Clavis and and a Staple of a yoke and shut 3 links of our small draft chain which ended the business of the year

JANUARY 1st 1784

I got a quart of Rum from Master Gillis by my David for which he paid /11

3 I got an ounce of snuff and an Almanack from Mr Gilles for which I paid /8

5th I got a pound of snuff from Majr McQueston by my james at 3/6 of which he paid the half of it being 1/9

8th I went to Amherst to attend the Probate Court and I lodged at Ellsworths

9th on Probate business and the Regr and I settled up our whole accts and I fell 40/ in his debt for which I gave him my note and I Recd 12/ of fees of what business we did now and lodged at Ellsworths

10th I bot an Ounce of Snuff six bisquit a Cake of Gingerbread and a pound of Tea from Mr Allbridge for which I paid him 5/2 ½ and I came home my expences at Ellsworths was 9/ and at Capt Lovejoys was /2 The boys this week brot home bushels of james Rie for us

13th I took 2 bushels of Rie and 1½ of corn to Deacon smiths mill but did get it ground

14th I Run lines for George Orr and Zech Pike one 3d for Orr and two 3ds for Pike and the 15th I got the meal of the Grain I took to mill yesterday

15th I went to McGaws by appointment and took the proof of james Barrets will for which and a bond I charged them 18/ they paid me my Expences and two Ounces of Salt petre was 1/6 and I gave my james ½ a dollar

16th I went to do some writings for Matth McDuffee and his son Wm but I lost my Specticles and could not do it and I took two bushels of Rie and 1½ of corn to Deacon Smiths mill I got the corn made into Samp and I left the Rie unground

17th I Swore john Riddle of his bringing 3 barrels of Rum into this State for which he paid me a shilling

19th I got two quarts of Rum from Master Gilles for which I paid 1/9

22d james Neasmith of this town finished makeing six pair of shoes for us toward the makeing I paid him a dollar in money and 12 Tacks at six pence and six aul blades at a shilling and sole and heel stuff for a pair of shoes for him self at 2/6 and I let William ORyan have one of the pair of shoes Neasmith made toward what I owe him for his work last faul and I writ a Deed from Matth McDuffee to his son William

23d I writ a pair of Leases between Mr McDuffee and his son Willm and james Houston set the shoes on our four Oxen

24th I took 1½ bushel of corn to Deacon Smiths mill and had it ground by Adam and I got the Meal of the two bushels of Rie that I left there the 16th Instant and I left the deed and Leases that I writ for McDuffee with the old Mr McDuffee

26th james Houston set 3 shoes on my mare he steeled two of them at the toe and heels with my Steel and Sharped the other

28 I Recd a petition from Thos McClure of Plymoth praying to have a Guardian appointed for his Brother james I writ an order to the Selectmen of Merrymac and a Return for them to sign of the State of his mind I charged a Dollar and he gave me 6/8 and said it was no matter about the change

29th Alexr and our young Oxen worked for james Houston all day and David hauled three logs to the River with our old Oxen

30th David Hauled 4 logs to the River

31st joseph Patten helped us out with a log and to the crotch of the Roads by the Gall hole and then David halled it to the River with our own Oxen he hauled two more all three large logs and he hauled two load of wood

FEBRUARY SECOND

I bot 60 £ of fresh Cod fish from Theof Griffin for which I paid him 6/8 they were not Gutted nor gilled and David took one log to the River and james and Alexr Cut wood and David hauled home four load

3d a considerable Rain and thaw

4th Alexr hauled 4 Logs to the River

5th Alexander hauled 3 logs to the River

6th fell a snow a foot deep or more

7th Alexr haulled one log to the River

9th David hauled two logs to the River

10th Wm McLaughlin helped us to draw logs with their team and he and David hauled six logs to the River and I borrowed a crown peice from john Patten and I went james Pinkertons and I bot a yard of Shallon at 2/6 and two Sticks of Mohair at 1/2 and and 14 coat Bottons for which I paid 4/3 my Expences was /10 and I came home late at night

11th I carried the things I got yesterday at Pinkertons to Matth McVeas and I went to Hugh Thompsons in Derryfield and I got 1¼ of a yard and two inches of tow cloath toward his note at Esqr McGregores I bot a parcel of corn in the Ear supposed to be between 4 and 5 bushels for 13/6 and I am to have a barrel and the full of it of Rie at 15/ it was struck of to Antipass Dodge but he Resigned it to me they were sold to Satisfie an Execution by Prentice the Sheriff I had ½ a bowle of Tody at McGregores for which I paid seven coppers

12th I went to McGaws and I got a pound of Tea and ½ a pound of Snuff and a gimblet and ½ a mug of W: E: Tody on credit they amounted to 6/7 and I Recd from Enn Vickere ½ toward my Runing lines for him last Summer

13th I took two bushels of Rie and one of Indian corn to Deacon Smiths mill and left it they could not grind it and I got an order from Capt Aiken on Theophelus Griffen for four Dollars which I got by borrowing

14th I got the 4 Dollars from Theoph Griffen on Capt Aikens order and I went to Esqr McGregores and paid him for the corn and Rie that Antipas Dodge and I bot there the 11th Instant and I had ½ a mug of tody for which I paid /4

16th I brot away the Rie from Esqr McGregores that I paid for the 14th there was about 3½ bushels of it it was cleane for grinding and I got a new Coat and jacoat that Matthew McAvea made for me they were made of 5/4 of a yard of Germin Serge that our Robt had he had 2¼ yard of Tamony the Rest of the linen and trimings I found I had two yards of Clouting Diaper from Wm Nutt that went into them

17th I went to Amherst to Renew my Execution against Wm Newman but had to tarrie over night

18th I got my Execn and I got my Expences at Mr Ellsworths being 6/3 answered toward the pay for my going to Amherst at Benjn Davis desire concerning Mr Barnard and Bishop some years ago and got Mr Ellsworths obligation for the Remainder which is 23/9 I had a mug of Tody at Capt Lovejoys on credit and I went to Deacon Nicholoss and granted Admr of his son Amos Estate to the widow I charged 12/ she and the Deacon paid me a dollar and two pistereens of it there is three pistereens yet due

19th I gave Solomon Hutchinson a Commission to Examin the claims of Hugh Clarks Estate and not pay for it and I took a bushel of corn and one of Rie to Samll Moors mill but did not get it Ground and went to Esqr McGregores with three letters for David Sessions to carrie in his case with Robt young and I had ½ a mug of tody at McGregores on credit

20th I got Amos Martin to bring the meal of the Grain I took to Samll Moors mill yesterday to the School house with his Uncle Steers and I workt with james at a Single Sley in the afternoon

21st I workt with james at the Sley

23d james and I finished the Sley the forenoon and I went to Esqr McGregores in the afternoon with the Sley we made and brot away the corn I bot there the 11th Instant and I paid ½ a bowle of tody I had there the 19th

24th I went to Amos Gardners and got Walnut for 4 ax handles and a pair of Ox bowes

25th joseph Patten hauled 3 logs to Orrs mill for us at twice with their team and David hauled two with their team which makes 8 logs we have there in all

26th I went to joseph Houstons to cast up his Several list of Rates the year he was Constable and lodged there

27th I was on the same business untill just night I cast all his lists but one and that was part lost that I could not cast it I shall charge him 1½ days time

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On the 25th our james brot 2½ bushel of Indian corn of his from Litchfield for us to use he brot 4 bushels of Rie of his for his service and on the 27th he took 4 bushells of the Rie to Lieut Orr that he owed him

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28th james went to Litchfield and got a bushel of corn from Ensn Daniel Kenndel that he owed me for Runing lines for him faul was a year and he brot 2 bushels of peas of his own from Samll Senters and his part of what flax seed Was between him and jackson at Capt Whitings

MARCH FIRST

I went to Derryfield to Lieut Halls to meet james Gorman to settle with him for my Runing lines for him writing Deeds &c for him faul was two years ago but he did not come I had a mug of tody at Halls for which I paid /9 and I bot a Grindstone from Theophilus Griffen for 43/ to be paid in lumber next spring on the River bank

2d I brot the Grindstone home and james hung it

3d I went with james and Alexr to David McClarys with the Mare and Sley and took up some provision for them and our largest pot and one of the Kegs I made and I went and lodged at john Craigs

4th I came home and brot Mary Walker from Sheds to her bror james for shed and james Underwood paid me three Dollars toward the note he gave me the 2d of last October which I Indorsed on the back of the note I gave him Six dollars for james Hunter left with me yesterday for him and I gave him one dollar Hunter left with me for Capt McLaughlin by Capt McLaughlins order who was present when I paid the money to james Underwood

6th I went to Deacon Smiths mill and took 3½ bushels of corn and 1½ bushel of Rie with me and I got 1½ of the corn ground

8th I went to Deacon Smiths mill and took two bushels of Rie with me and left it and I got the meal of the two bushels of corn and 1½ of Rie that I left there the 7th

9th I went Litchfield and carried my james acct against Capt Parkers Estate to the Commissioners and I bot at McGaws a £ of snuff and 4 Do

Shugar 6 Bisquit and an Earthen Mug and bason and ½ a mug of W : I : Tody for which I paid 8/4

10th I assisted in laying off land of Zech Pikes to satisfie an Execution that Doctor Cuttler had against him as surveys and as a justice to Swear the apprizers my fees was 14/ to be settled with the Doctor Major Goffe Capt McLaughlin and Zech Chandler were the Apprizers

11th I waited more than half the day at Chandlers on Moses Mudget and Signing the Decree for the settlement of ⅔ of his fathers Estate on him I charged a dollar and could not pay it but promised he would pay

12th I went to james Gormans to try to get some pay from him for my surveying for him faul was a two years but got none I had ½ a bowle of tody at john Goffes for which I paid /4 the next day

13th I took the Grinstone I had from Theophs Griffen the 2d Instant to Capt Samll Moors by his desire for Willm Perham he said he sold it to him I could get the lumber to pay for it was the Reason of his takeing it back

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MARCH 13th 1784

15th I went to Deacon Smiths mill and took two bushells of Rie with me and Adam Ground it and I got the meal of the two bushells I left there 8th and I paid them the ½ bushell of Rie meal we borrowed from them by one of the boys

16th I went to Chandlers to meet the Selectmen and james Vose and Matthew McDuffee to settle the judgment the town gained for Cuting timber on the School Lotts in the year 1774 which was 11-10-0 there was 7-3-6 of it in McDuffeys and jacob McQueades hands that they had not paid for which sum McDuffee gave his note and the Remainder of the 11-10-0 being 4-6-6 I endorsed on the back of an order I had on the town of ten £ and I took the selectmens Rect for the judgment being satisfied in full in the above manner and I had a bowle of W : I : tody on credit at Chandlers I got home as I supposed about two o clock in the morning

17th David and our old Oxen worked at Piscataquog Bridge ajusting the string peice on and I worked at it the afternoon and we got the four lower ones on

18th I swampt out 4 small oak logs the boys saved in cuting wood Ready for hauling out and David and Polly was at Sally Logans weding

19th I signed two Extents for the selectmen one against joseph Houston and the other agt james Vose on their Constableship to be charged in my acct agt the town and I took the acknowledgement of a deed from james Thompson of this town to Prime Wally a Negro who could not pay me for want of change and Alexr and I took out the 4 oak logs I swamped out yesterday and I got two glass bottles full of Rum from Master Gilles come to 1/9 of which I paid him nine pence

22d Alexr took three of the oak logs we hauled out the 19th and I settled with Zech Chandler all accts between us and he paid me four Dollars and he owes me 6/10 yet and I got ½ £ of Tea from Master Gilles for which I paid him 2/3 and I paid him a Shilling the Remainder of the price of what Rum I got from him the 19th Instant and I set out about 9 o clock for

Concord to bring home the Sley that I bot that was Newmans and lodged at Capt Kinsmans

23d I paid Capt Kinsman two Dollars for Nathaniel Green junr for his service levying and Execn on Wm Newmans Sley and selling &c and took Kinsmans Rect and I came home my Expences was 4/3 and brot home the Sley there was one Collar and one pair of Sea Cow skin traces with the Sley

24th I got two Glass bottles full of Rum from Master Gilles toward which I paid him /8 one of them I took to Matthew McVeas for Beaverage for my cloaths he made for me this Winter and the other I brot home for beaverige for Mrs Lincoln who is turning a coat for me

25th I sent Alexr to Gilles and got two pounds of shugar for which and for what I owed him of the two bottles of Rum I got from him yesterday he paid him 2/1 and I went to joseph Houstons with Capt Chamberlain who lodged here last night to Examin Houstons Constableship I lodged there

26th On the same business and got home by night I Recd no pay it was at Houstons desire he had Alexr Gillcrist assist him allso

29th I took a Rect from Levi Whitman for joseph Houston and writ two notes for Whitman and in the afternoon I went to Mr Holts to a meeting of Merrymac and Bedford to chuse a Representative on the new Constitution and james Martin was chose my Expences was ten pence

30th was Thunder in the morning followed by a considerable Rain untill near night

31st I cleaned what Beans we had there was three bushels of them and the afternoon I went to our annual March Meeting and Mrs Lincoln finished turning my coat and jacot and did some mending to the grigo and james Neasmith came here yesterday to make shoes

APRILL FIRST

I went to Deacon Smiths mill with 1½ bushell of corn and as much Rie and the deacon ground it

5th I went beyond the near Meadow with the mare and the boys went out to hew some Oars and I came home and got 300 of shingle nails from Amos Gardner and I paid Mollie Patten six pence toward what I am to pay her on james Grears account and I got a side of the steer hide I killed faul was a year from French

6th I butchered old Bosss Calf it never see any and one Eye was melted out and the other turned altogether white it weighed about 21 £

8th I went to Amherst to the Probate Court and attended the Sessions allso and lodged at Ellsworths

9th I attended the Probate and Sessions and I gave up my case that I sued Lt James Smith and appealed for which I paid the jury 12/ and for the appeal 2/ What Probate business was done the fees amounted to 5-10-0 of which we Recd 4-7-4 my part was 1-9-0 which I Recd and there is yet due 1-2-8 and I paid General Nichols 2/ for Recording a Deed from job Holbrook to me and lodged at Ellsworths

10th I attended the Sessions and I took a peice of cloath for our Sussey

to the Cloathiers in Amherst to be dyed Green and prest And I bot at Means ¼ of allspice for which I paid 1/ and I bot at Allbrees a pound of snuff ½ Do Tea and ¼ of peper for which I paid 6/6 and I settled my Expences at Ellsworths which was 8/5 and I Entered it on the back of his note and I paid a mug of tody I had at Capt Lovejoys on credit in Febr last and ½ a mug today which was a pistereen as I went over I Recd a Shilling from jonathan Rand for takeing the acknowledgement of a Deed the 8th of last December and I went by Deacon Nichols and Recd the Inventory and I swore the apprisers and the admrs for which I charged a dollar which she paid and she paid me three pistereens which she owed of the admr and I paid the Clerk 1/4 for a new execution against William Newman

12th I took the acknowledgement of two deeds one from Samll Turrill junr to Deacon Moors son William the other to Moor to to Turrill for which Moor paid me 1/6 and I went to Deacon Smiths mill with two bushell of rie and one of corn and the deacon Ground it which 20½ bushells the deacon has ground for me since the last crop came off the ground that I had the Toal

13th Alexr and I took our Oxen and heifer and Mare to Jamesa barn and Alexr staid to attend them and I got 550 shingle nails from Amos Gardner which makes 2750 shingle Nails in all that I have got from him out of the 5000 he owed me he proposed for me to take james Vose for 2000 which I consented to

14th We Rafted 10 pine logs and james Houston made a boathook for me of my Iron

15th David got nine board logs from Wm Moor up the River for the Bull he got from David last faul and brot them down to our logs at Martins field and we got 1½ pint of Rum and a mug of tody at Chandlers and borrowed a glass bottle full of Rum from Major Goffe and yesterday our james sent 5 £ of flax by me to john Parker and Spun it and made it into a Robe for Rafting this day a cold N: E: Rain

16th Snowed almost all day in the afternoon I went to Mr Welds the blacksmith in Goffestown and got an inch Auger for our David and had my brors old Mare and took a bushel of Rie for John Paten to Welds which paid him for makeing Davids auger and one for john and mending two for john David found the Iron for his auger and john and is to pay john a shilling more for his auger than the iron for johns

19th David went to Pentucket with john Patten and james and Alexr and I with Stephen French in the forenoon and jonathan Bailey in the afternoon Rafted at our Oak timber and I got three quarts and ½ a pint of Rum from Chandler

20th james Neasmith helped us Raft and we got it to the ferry and I went out to take care of the Oxen at james Barn

21st James David and Alexr set off with our Oak timber and pine logs for Pentucket and I came home from james place

22d WAS GENERAL FAST THROUGHOUT THE STATE

23d I spent the day prinsaply on the affirs of the Extents against joseph Houston and james Vose and Voses takeing a number of men for their Rates to defend himself

24th I took two bushells of Rie from Deacon Smiths mill and Adam ground it and I got a bushell of corn from the Deacon I propose to borrow and pay it in corn or to buy and pay in money and he did not say which of the ways I should have it and he ground it

26th I went out to see our Oxen and I came home in the evening

27th I swore old Robt Cuningham concerning age he gave me a pistereen and I had no change to give him and he said it was no matter about it and I went to Chandlers in the afternoon on joseph Houstons acct to get an article put into a wart for a town meeting for him

28th I went out and brot home our Oxen

29th I writ a pair of Leases for john Butterfield for john Cuningham my charge for them is 4/ I dated them the 30th by mistake

MAY FIRST

David got home from being down the River after night

3d I sent a pistereen to Master Gilles and got ¼ of Tea for it

4th I went to Amherst with Robt McMurphy an Evidence in his case with Cosmore Gordon and I was desired by Stephen Lund and Thos McClure to tarrie till their case about james McClure as an Evidence was Decided and I tarried untill the 7th being 4 days Lund agreed to pay my Expences at Mr Ellsworths and Thos McClure to pay me as much for my time toward which he gave a dollar I lent a dollar to Robt McMurphy and paid his Expences at Ellsworths which was ten shillings and the Regr and I did as much Probate business as came to 6 £ and we Recd 4–10–0 of it and I got 29/4 of it as my part and I paid a dollar for dyeing and pressing 9 yards of cloath and I bot a pound of Chocolate and a Quire of paper from Mr Albree for which I paid him 2/4 and I came home the Evening of the 7th my Expences was about 18 /

8th Doctor Dugal was at our house and we got as many Medicines from him as came to 2/3 and I gave him 2/8 and would not take any change

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On the 3d I got a bushell of corn in the Ears from Zech Chandlers

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10th I writ a Deed of Nathan Sheds lott in Bedford viz no 21 in the 6th Rang to me and of his house and shop And a Bill of Sale of all his household goods and blacksmith tools and of his Cow and hogs And I settled with james Vose for my Rates and for my james and Robt and we fell 10–11–9½ in debt yet to pay And I got a pound of Tea from Master Gilles for which I paid Mr Parkers wife 4/6

11th I went to Nathan Sheds with the writings I did yesterday and he was from home and I went to job Dows and had his stallion serve my Mare I chose to have the chance of the Season for two dollars which he said was his price for the Season and I came to john Craigs and lodged there

12th Shed made 13 harrow teeth for David I took the iron there yesterday and he made a new shoe of my iron and set two on my mares fore feet and I brot home my Cross cut saw Robt Gillcrist broke above three

inches off one end of her and a tooth out toward the middle of the saw I spent some hours with john McCurdy on his affair and john Taggarts and yesterday I had 2 quarts of Oats and ½ a bowle of Tody at Dows for which I paid /8

13th I went to Deacon Smiths mill and took two bushells of Rie with me and the deacon ground it and I got a bushell of corn from him and I paid him a Dollar for it and the bushell I had from him the 24th of last April and I signed a Wart for Israel Smith against W. Nutts son Samll

14th I went out to james place and brot home the bushell of Rie David was to have from Samll Goffe for Carting Rie for him last Summer

15th I went to Esqr McGregores to hear and assist john McCurdy in his Case with john Taggart before Esqrs McGregore and Little McCurdy gave me a dollar

17th I signed a Warrant for john Caldwell McNeal against Andrew Foster and Foster and Nathaniel Merril came toward night and paid me 4/ for james Underwoods drawing the Wart and my signing it and I got 1½ £ of Steal from john Patten and I went to Sheds and he laid two axes for me the iron was Davids and he tempered Roberts broad ax

18th I went to Litchfield and Run lines for Wm: Patterson the forenoon and the afternoon for Esqr Underwood and David Quig and lodged at Esqr Underwoods

19th Wm Patterson gave me 1½ bushel of white Beans and I was on the business of Examing Esqr Underwood and General Nichols on their Commiteeship for Absentees at McGaws Col: Lovewell who was one with them did not come and we appointed to meet the 10th of june at McGaws again

20th I got ½ £ of Brimstone and 2 £ and 2 ounces of flax at McGaws for which I paid him 1/11 and I sowed our flax seed toward night there was considerable shower in the afternoon

21st I spent the forenoon at Chandlers on joseph Houstons acct with the Commitee who was chosen by the town to Settle with him on his Constableship for the year 1780 and the afternoon I went to Esqr McGregores on john McCurdys case with john Taggart the justices judged to bind Taggart and his wife and his son james over to july Sessions I got home at midnight or after my Expences was ½ a pistereen which I paid and Mr Alexander sent his sons john and james and three pair of Oxen and plowed for us by Frenches and sent hay to serve his oxen and ours today and to serve ours tomorrow

22d we finished plowing by Frenches and I took a bushel of Rie and ½ a bushel of corn to to Deacon Smiths mill and left it because I could not get it ground

24th I and Sarah furrowed allmost the field by Frenches and I gave john Smith of Lindboro a licence to sell land of his fathers Estate the fees is a dollar he could not pay it but promised to pay it at july court

25th I hung a net and went to the falls being the first this year and I got 13 Shad and I lodged at Esqr McGregores

26th I had ½ a pint of Sling in the morning of N: E: Rum and ½ a

bowle of Brandy todey and ½ a mug of Cydar at noon at Esqr McGregores and I got 13 shad and David come up in the afternoon and he got 3 shad I gave one shad for a Cake and 15 I brot home

27th I had a mug of Cydar at Esqr McGregors and and I had 1½ mug of N. E. tody at Oliver Emersons and Alexr got 12 shad and I got one

28th went to james Pinkertons to get salt but he had none I got two ounces of Indigo from him for which I paid him 2/ and I came to McGaws and I got two bushels of salt from him for which I paid him 13/ my expences was /8 including my ferriage

29th I suned two bushel of Rie and went to Deacon Smiths mill and he ground it and on the 31st I knit a net for the setting place and hung it and I went to Thomas Boies concerning his Daughter Anns being with Child of a bastard but defered takeing her Examination

JUNE FIRST

I went to the falls and Alexr went the evening before and he got 30 shad and I got 12 and a ten pound Salmon we brot 35 home 4 Alexr gave for a knif 2 I gave to Oliver Emerson toward our tody we had there and one I forgot how I put it off

2d I got 8 shad 4 of them I gave Oliver Emersons wife toward our tody two I let Zech Pike have and one I gave Capt Aiken and one I gave David Farmer for one he lent me last year

3d I and Alexr got 10 and brot them home

3d I got 7 shad and I sent them to Major Tolford and Alexr and I fished Eels at the setting place and we got 70 this week Alexr and me had two mugs of tody at Emersons and ½ pint of Rum at MacGregores carried out of the house on the night of the 2d I lodged at MacGregores and I had ½ a mug of Brandy tody

5th I took two bushels of Rie to Deacon Smiths mill and left it and I appointed Adam Smith to go to the fall for what eels I could get he and I went and we got 121 I allowed him 21 and he got 100 that he is to acct for toward the toal I have had of him and his father I had a pint of Rum from Master Gilles on credit

7th I got the meal of the Rie I took to Deacon Smiths mill the 5th and We planted several Quarts of corn where the Crows had pulled it up and I went to the falls and I got 60 eels and David got 32 and Alexr got 14 the night following David paid Ebr Hacket 20 I owed him since last year and my bror got 25 and I let Lt Orr have 55 and 7 we kept at home which distribution of the Eels was on the 8th on said 8th I took the proof of james Blanchards Will the Excur paid me a dollar and Owes me 4/ yet

9th I attended at McGaws for Col Baldwin to to settle with the Comtee of the General Court on Absentees Estate and one joseph Abbot lodged a caveat against james Blanchards will I appointed him a hearing and he got a summons and he paid me one dollar and a half the half dollar Mrs McGaw got toward what I owe her husband

10th I attended at McGaws for me Col: Baldwins with the Courts Comtee

11th Alexr and I went to the falls in the Evening and we got 73 Eels the night following

12th I took them to john Craigs in Goffestown

14th I attended at McGaws for Col: Baldwin with the Courts Commitee

15th I went to Litchfield and got two bushels of corn from Esqr Underwood one of them he proposd to give me for his part of Runing lines for him and David Quig and the other he trusted me and joseph Craig brot me two bushels of corn toward the Eels I took there the 12th and I took it to Deacon Smiths mill as I went to Litchfield and I brot the two bushels from Esq Underwoods to Deacon Smiths mill and left it and brot the meal home of the two bushels that came from Craig

16th I plowed among the corn by Frenches

17th I went to the falls and fished at the setting place I got one salmon of 13 £ and 10 Eels and the night following I got 41 on the 18th I came home with them and let john Lincoln have 40 of them and I let Robt Gilcrist have 30 Eels

19th I went to McGaws and got a pound of Tea and ½ Do of snuff on Credit and the afternoon I held a Court at Chubbucks james Underwood and his wife Compt and james McQuead Respt the Compt Quashed

21st I granted Guardianship for Capt Whiting for four of his bror Benjns Children I charged him two Dollars which he promised to pay in grain or money

22d The afternoon we were all at Chandlers Barn Raising and james Neasmith came to make me a pair of Shoes and Alex workt in his Room and I borrowed outsoles and heel taps of Majr Goffe this morning

23d I gave Commission to Examin the claim on Daniel Flanders Estate and the Wart to set of the Widows thirds for which the man who came for them paid me a dollar for them

24th I set out for Newberry and lodged at Littles tavern in Plastow

25th I went to David Curriers and he had sent 4–18–0 the Remainder of the price of the logs he had from my David this spring by john Wallace and I got a Cannoe and went to Pattens Cove and john Patten paid me for a stick Oak that he had workt up of 71 feet 35/6 and I paid Capt Titcomb 1/11 ⅓ for takeing the stick up

26th I went to Newberry old town to see our james and lodged where he Boarded with David Dole

28th Came and lodged at Russels at Mullikans ferry found Samll Greenough had workt up a stick of 30 feet but he could not pay me for it

29th I came to Swans ferry and Recd a Dollar from Capt Tylrs son toward some Pine logs he has picked up of ours he says he has got logs to make 1200 feet of board and I came to Pentucket and lodged at Spauldings where our Robert lived

30th I came home on this journey my Expences was 1–3–2 ⅓ and I bot as many things and for takeing up a stick of timber at Pattens Cove 1–16–0– ⅔ and Recd 2⅙

JULY FIRST

I Recd the 4-18-0 that john Wallace brot from David Currier and I paid Capt Aiken the four Dollars I got from Theopolus Griffen by an order from him the 14th of last February and carried Mrs Shed a dollar in money and some shugar and tea Bisquit and Ginger bread Mr Shed sent by me from Newbury Port

2d I paid Samll Goffe four Dollars toward my note for the Mare and I went to Litchfield and I bot 3 yards of shallon for David and a patch for a gown for Polly from Major McQueston Came to 1-17-6 toward which I paid him two Dollars and I gave him my note for the Remainder being 1-5-6 on demand with Intrest and I bot 18 £ of Pork from Mrs Harvill and her son Gershaw for which I paid them two Dollars my ferriage at Reeds and ½ a bowle of tody some snuff and 4 bisket at McGaws for which I paid 1/

3d I brot away the two bushels of Rie unground from Deacon Smiths mill that I took there about ten days ago and I took it and a bushell of corn to Samll Moors mill and had it Ground and I paid Oliver Emersons wife two shilliings being what we owed there for Grog this spring and I paid her six pence toward some tallow I had from winter was a year and I took Iron and 10 ounces of Steel to Wells in Goffstown to get a two inch Auger made

5th David writ a Deed for joseph Barron to Robt Alexander and I took the acknowledgment unpaid and I Granted admr on the Estate of Benjamin Bowers late of Merrymac to his Widow Sarah for which Esqr Cummings paid me 10/

7th I went Amherst on the hearing appointed on james Blanchards wil

8th I attended the Sessions and did Probate business

9th I attended the sessions and did some Probate Business

10th I attended the Sessions and Bot two pound of snuff at 6/ and I paid the Landlord Smith 5/10 I owed him since I kept there and I bot 14 £ of shugar at 8/ and 12 bisket at 1/4 and 1½ pint of W: I: Rum at /10 and an earthen peper box at /6 and 3 lemons at 1/3 and /10 I paid toward a Scyth for joseph Patten and 3/4 I lent Mr Ellsworth I Recd 1/14/4 Probate fees I was /3 of Expences at Capt Lovejoys my Expences at Ellsworths was 8/ and as I came home I swore George Orr to his bringing two Barrels of Rum he got of joseph Tyler into this state and I paid the clerk 1/4 for an excn against Wm Newman

12th I swore David Riddel to his bringing three Barrels of Rum from jos Tyler into this State I charged 1/ unpaid and I went to Samll Moors Mill and took two bushels of Rie and a little more than a bushell of Indian with me but did not get it ground and I went to Wells the black smith and got a two inch Auger his son made for us we found the Iron and Steel and I paid his mother 2/6 for his makeing it he was not at home and had left the Auger with her for me

13th I went Samll Moors for the grain I took there yesterday and it was was not ground nor they could not and I brot it home unground

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JULY 13th 1784

14th I took the two bushels of Rie and the bushel of Indian I had brot home from Samll Moors unground to Capt Samuel Moors mill and had it ground and I went to McGaws and I bot two chip hats at 1/8 and 1½ pint of W: I: Rum at 1/ 1½ and a pound of Tea at 5/ and 11¼ £ of Rice at 4½ pr £ for which I paid his wife two Dollars

15th I settled all accts with Esqr McGregore and came out about even and we agreed to part even and he made an Entry that he had settled my acct and crossed the acct in the book

16th I set out for Concord at Mr Sheds desire to try to settle a Writ Green had filled for james Orr agt him and went as far as up as Esqr Blodgets farm and met Green and I turned and settled at Esqr McGregore and I aggreed to pay the Service and got a line to Col Kelley from Green and I came to Col: Kelleys and I paid him a dollar that Shedd gave me last night which he accepted for the service and I came to Samll Kennedys and lodged there I had ½ a mug of Brandy tody at Esqr McGregores for which I paid seven pence very near

17th I came home by the way of Sheds to inform what I had done in his affair and I got home about the middle of the afternoon

19th I writ two letters for Mr Shed one to Mr William Chamberlain and the other to james Orr took me about all the forenoon and I sent Alex Chester for our Betsey who we heard was not well and wanted to come home he had Mr Underwoods Mare for her to Ride home on

20th I borrowed my brors Mare and I went to Lieut Charity Lunds on a hearing about james McClures Guardianship I did not enter on the matter but adjourned untill the second Tuesday of September next at one of the Clock after then to meet at Lieut Walkers William McClure and Esqr Cummings signed a Note of six dollars to Mr Shannon for our pay and and I came to Carrie to Capt Whitings and lodged there

21st I got 2 bushels of Indian corn from Capt Whiting toward what he owes me for granting him Guardianship for four of his bror Benjamins children and I brot the corn to Deacon Smiths Mill and left it there

22d I fited some Rakes in the forenoon and the afternoon I finished plowing among the corn by Frenches for hilling

23d I went to Deacon Smiths and brot home the Meal of the two bushels of corn I left there the 21st And I swore john Burns junr of his bringing a barrel of rum from one Phineas Parker of 38 gallons into this state he could not make change to pay me and I began to mend one of my Cart wheels

24th I finished puting in two new fellows in the wheels

26th I went to Amherst on the hearing I had appointed concerning james Blanchards Will at the Request of joseph Abbot but Did not Determin because Abbot requested a continuance which I granted and to be heard the first tuesday of October next at two of the clock afternoon at Mr Ellsworths in Amherst and I bot ¼ of peper and 1½ pint of W : I : Rum for which I paid 2/3 to Allbree and I got 7 £ of Rice from him on Credit at 2/2

27th I borrowed a small streck of tyre for my Cart from Mr Alexander of 8 ¼ £ weight & Houston set a shoe on my mares fore foot

28th I got james Houston to Cut a little off the streck I borrowed from Mr Alexander yesterday and make 5 nails of the peice he cut of and I lent Adam Dickey 500 board nails and one day last week I lent Samuell Abbot 50 board nails

30th I went to Lieut Orrs Saw mill with the team and brot 18 boards of White Pine and left 4 boards and a plank of the same stock behind and brot them to where we intend to set the new barn

31st I took 4 £ of Iron to james Houston and and he laid it on my plow shear and I borrowed what steel (of English steel) of French as would steel the shear it took two pounds and I had a peice of Steel of my own that did the Colter and he made a new link for my small draft chain of my iron and shut it and shut another link in it

AUGUST 2d

We viz David and me went to mowing at the Little meadow being the first this year a very hot day Alexr unable to help us

3d workt at the meadow a very hot day

4th very hot clouded in the afternoon

5th 6th & 7th workt at the haying Alexr got home six load and we left two load or more in cock and about five or six cocks in swath we drinked 3½ Quarts of Rum this week jean and Sarah helped us the 6th and 7th to turn and Rake hay

9th I went to Litchfield and got 3½ bushels of Indian corn from Esq Underwood on Credit and I brot it to Capt Samuel Moors mill and had it Ground and I got about ½ a bushel of Rie ground of our own and I got 1½ pints of W : I : Rum at McGaws for which I paid /13½ and at /2 at Reads for ferriage

10th 11th 12th 13th and 14th workt at haying and got home the last of our hay we have about 17 loads this year at the little meadow on the 14th joseph Patten brot a load of hay for us and on the 12th I got 1½ Gallon of Rum from james Thompsons wife on our Davids acct towards what he owes our David jean and Sarah helped us the 10th and 11th and jean helped us the 10th and 9th jean four days and Sarah 2 this week

16th We began to fellow the back field

17th I went to Capt Whiting and got 1½ bushel of Rie being the Remainder of the two dollars I charged him for Guardianship for 4 of his bror Benjns children the 21st of last june I got two bushels of corn the 21st of last july toward the fees which with the Rie today makes the pay I had ½ a mug of W : I : Tody at McGaws for which I paid five pence

18th Betsey went to Deacon Smiths mill with 1½ bushell of Rie I got at Capt Whitings yesterday and had it Ground and Alexr and I plowed in the back field and David hewed at the Girts for the Barn

20th I swore john Aiken junr to his bringing two barrels of Rum from joseph Tyler into this State he gave me a dollar out of which there is one shilling for this and five shillings toward my Runing lines for them the 30th of December 1782

21st Alexr and our old oxen and our Cart helped james Houston to Cart in of his hay

23d Alexr went to Litchfield and got 3½ bushels of Indian corn from james Nochor junr toward my Runing lines for him Benjn Blodget and Wm Richardson faul was a year

24th I let james Wallace have 200 of brick to make our Oven and I writ a deed from Ensign Chubbuck to Levi Whitman

25th Alexr Wilson of Newboston summoned me an Evidence in his and his bror james Case with Hitchburn and gave me 1/6 of fees

26th I went and got two Cuts of Red Oak logs of Samll Moors on to the ways to make Braces and Covin joice for our barn frame

27th I went to Lieut Orrs mill and brot 7 sticks for braces and 17 studs for the barn frame

28th I had john McLaughlins young Oxen and brot two stocks of pitch pine board from Lieut Orrs mill to the Barn frame

30th In the forenoon I went to Esqr McGregores and Notified him of his being chosen to arbitrate between Capt Stinson and me on the 16th of next Septr at his own house

31st I had joseph Pattens steers and I went to Samll Moors mill and got 295 feet of Red Oak slit work from him for our Barn frame and I granted admr on the Estate of josiah Brown late of Weare to his son Timothy for which he paid me 10/ we had james Wallace and joseph Patten and joseph Bell helping us frame at our Barn being the first except putting the Cells together

SEPTEMBER FIRST

Rainy the fore part of the day part of the afternoon about ⅔ of it james Wallace joseph Bell and joseph Patten helped us frame

2d & 3d james Wallace joseph Bell and joseph Patten helped us frame

4th Joseph Bell and joseph Patten helped us frame on the 2d I Granted Administration on john Gillmores Estate to his Bror james and john McConohe they could not pay the fees

6th joseph Bell and joseph Patten helped us the forenoon and james Wallace came after Diner and we Raised the frame in the afternoon we borrowed five quarts of Rum off French

7th I granted Guardianship to Lieut Henry Ferguson of Peterboro for three of Revd john Morrisons sons (viz) john james and William for which he paid me two Dollars

On the 3d our Sarah got 19½ £ of Pork for which she paid 14/5 from Mr Alexander and on the 4th I bot half of a heifer as she stood out and in for five dollars from james Underwood my half weighed 110½ of beaf the hide weighed 44 £ I expect to discount it on what he owes me & I got ½ £ of Tea and 2 £ of Shugar from john Parker on Credit on the 8th

9th I gave widow Parker of Litchfield a wart to set off her thirds in her late husband john Parkers Estate for which she paid me ½ a dollar and we finished fellowing the back field

10th Alexr workt for james Wallace toward his helping us frame at the Barn and Harris had my Mare and Ground Apples at my bror Mill for between six and seven Barrels of Cydar

11th Alexr workt for james Wallace on the same acct as yesterday and I and our old oxen workt at the highway on Walkers hill and I got a barrel of Cydar from Thos Lancey to be paid in my way not money

13th james Houston made two new shoes for my Mares fore feet and set them the Iron I had would not make the shoes and he found some and I gave him my Iron in lieu of it and David set out for Newbury and our Bettsey went over to our Uncle Tolfords to live there and I began to Cut Stalks by Frenchs

14th I borrowed Majr Goffes horse and went to Lieut Walkers on the hearing of james McClures Petition we adjourned untill the first Friday next following in October next to meet at Ellsworths in Amherst at one of the Clock afternoon Capt Chamberlain promised to pay the costs which of this meeting which is six Dollars The Regr and I agreed that he should take the pay of our last meeting and I take this from Capt Chamberlain for this meeting my Expences at Walkers and McGaws was 1/7 I bot ½ £ of snuff and two Gimblets at McGaws for which I paid 2/2

15th I had my Brors mare and went to Cairns in New Boston to get him to come to Esqr McGregores tomorrow to my Arbitration with Capt Stinson my Expences was a shilling

16th I attended at Esqr McGregores on Capt Stinson and my arbitration Esqr Underwood and McGregore and Lieut Orr were the arbitrators Stinson accused me of takeing down his land when 15/ an acre was bid for and set it up again and struck it off to myself for 6/ per acre and produced john Stewart and james Mann who Swore it I moved for a Continuance which was granted untill the 3d Tuesday of November next at ten of the clock forenoon then to meet at McGregores again and David gave McGregore a Dollar toward the Expences james Cairns and Chandler attended on my account but not swore

17th I got 2 £ of Shugar from john Parker on Credit David got home yesterday from Newbury but got no money from Mr Bagley and our james sent us a pound of Tea by David a Rainy day

18th I finished a draft of Mrs McLaughlins Will some Rain today

20th I drawed Mrs McLaughlins Will anew and David and our old Oxen worked for Thos Lancey and Alexr bound the Stalks by Frenches and carried them to the side of the field and shocked them with a little I helped to shock

21st I went to Esqr Underwoods and got 3½ bushels of Indian corn from him and brot it to Deacon Smiths mill and had it ground my ferriage at Reeds was four pence and I bot two dearning needles at McGaws for which I paid two coppers

22d I granted Guardianship of a daughter of the Revd John Morrisons to Lieut Henry Ferguson and other Writings copys &c for which he paid me two dollars yesterday and today Alexr and our Old Oxen workt for Thos Lancey

23d Alexr cleaned up three bushels of Rie of Thos Lancys of his and he brot it home to help pay for David and his helping him and the Oxen

24th I set out for Amsbury and Arrived there and lodged at Pearsons David sowed two bushels of Rie

25th I went to Tylors and Recd 2–16–0 from him and Searl on Enoch Bagleys acct of the Oak Timber Bagley had of mine this Summer and I came to Chences tavern and lodged there

26th I came home my Expences was 10/ on this journey

27th I went to Mr Philip Clemens and Agreed on a Swap of my old Oxen to a pair of young Oxen I agreed to give him three dollars to boot and Alexr went up with our Oxen and Sent a Note with him to Clemens payable in three months for the money

28th I went to Amherst to the Superior Court and got the Coppy of my case from the Clerk of the Inferiour Court for which I paid 8/6 and I entered my case at the Superiour Court for which I paid the Clerk 1–4–0

30th my case was called and Smith was Defaulted and he came about an hour afterward and I consented to take off the Default and had an Order for a Survey and agreed on Capt Whiting to do it and he to appoint the Chainmen

OCTOBER 2d

I got the order from the Clerk for the Survey for which I paid him 2/ and came home this week I bot an Ink horn and one ounce of Wafers at Fletchers and Danas store for which I paid 1/4 and I bot at Albrees store 14 £ of Shugar at 8/ two pound of snuff at 5/8 and a ¼ of Alspice at a pistereen which I paid Except 4/ which they trusted me and I paid them 2/2 that I owed them for 7 £ of Rice I had from them the 26th of last July and I settled with Ellsworth for all my Expences he owed me 7/ and I gave him a dollar which paid him all off except ten pence which I ow him yet

4th I measured the Easterly part of the 3d Division no 121 at William Moors desire it measured 102 acres and 46 Rods and the afternoon I held a Court Samll Eaton Plat james Shirley Deft they settled the case themselves I Recd a Dollar but my fees was but 5/9 but I could not give the three pence for want of change

5th I went to Amherst to attend on a hearing on joseph Abbots petition against james Blanchards Will Abbot would not pay the fees and I dismist the petition

6th and 7th I attended on Probate business and was in the Sessions the 7th day

8th I was in the Sessions and in the afternoon I attended on a hearing on james McClures Petition but he could not pay the fees nor person would appear to pay it for him and I dismist the petition at the Probate I Recd nine dollars of fees last week and this week and I Recd three dollars from Col Baldwin for three days I spent at McGaws this summer a settling with the Comtee of the General court on absentees Estates and I Recd a dollar from john Smith of Lindborough for a licence to sell land he got it the 24th of last may My Expences at Ellsworths was 13/ I came home the 8th in the Evening

9th I spent the forenoon with Mrs Sullivan and james Moor no pay for it yesterday I paid Capt Chamberlain two dollars tuoward the Corn I had from him three or four years ago

14th I set out for Newbury lodged at Mr Spaldings pd Major McQueston 6/8 toward my note

15th I settled with Nathan Tylor for two oak logs of 76 feet at 14/ pr Tun came to 25/6 and a pine log of 33 feet at 24/ pr M came to 7/ he paid me /6 and gave me an order on his bror joseph for 32/ and I got an Order from jacob Tylar on Esqr McGregore for 7/ toward some logs he got of mine and lodged at Dr Greatterdge

16th I Recd from Mr Enoch Bagle 10-10-6 for what timber had of mine that had not been paid before I Recd 2-16-0 toward it the 25 of Septr from Tylar and Searl which with the 10-10-6 made the whole of what timber he had which was 13 Tun and 18 feet he took one stick at Mr Buck in Haverhill and two above the Lyons mouth I allowed him 2/6 for pay for catching them and I Recd 32/ from joseph Tylar on the order Nathan drawed on him yesterday and I bot ½ a quintal of Cod fish for which I paid 11/ and I bot 6 Thousand of Shingle nails for which I paid 19/6 and I bot A scale and Dividers for which I paid 4/10 and I bot Mr Murrys thankesgiving sermon for which I paid 1/8 and I come to Mr Chences and lodged there over the Sabath

18th I came home and I bot 8 £ of sole leather in Hempsted for which I paid 9/7 my Expences this journey was 14/3

21st I went to Litchfield and I paid McGaw 1-8-3 being all I owed him and a dollar that my David had given him a year ago that was bad that was Returned And I paid 1-0-8 to to Majr McQueston on my note and for three sceans of twist for Davids cloaths being all I owed him and I paid Capt Chamberlain 3-9-0 With two dollars I paid him at Amherst on the 8th Instant and Six Dollars he answered on McClures petition paid him for 16 bushells of corn I had from him the 20th of Febr 1781 it was a dollar pr bushell and I allowed him Intrest which came to 20/ and I had ½ a bowle of W : I : Tody for which I paid /4 ½

22d I paid james McLaughlin a dollar toward his months wages this summer and I drawed a Complaint and Wart against james Durrah for a breach of the peace on james Gillmor he did not pay for it

23d I went to james Gillmors in Merrymac with our Oxen and Cart and I got two barrels of Cydar from Ensn Vickere he owed me 4/10 toward the Cydar and I owe him 3/2 for the two barrels and I got a barrel of Cydar from james Gillmor to be Settled in our acct he owed me 5/ for granting Admr on john Gillmors Estate and 4/ for the Compt and Wart yesterday And I got a barrel of Cydar from Thomas Lancey I let him have a white Oak hogshead this week

25th I got another barrel of Cydar from Thomas Lancey

26th I went at Capt Timothy Eatons desire to Run the lins of his farm in Goffestown and lodged at his Tenants Mr Pikes

27th was on the same business but did not finish And I came to Esqr McGregores by appointment and took the proof of Aaron Wells will for which Silas Wells one of the Executors paid me 13/10 for the proof of the will and some other services I had done about the affair of the Estate

30th We ground what Apples we had at my Brors mill

NOVEMBER FIRST

We pressed our pumiss we had 2½ barrels and I took the proof of Thomas Caldwells Will of Nottingham West for which I charged 10/ and William Burns one of the Exers paid me 7/ of it and 3/ Remains due and Alex^r got a barrel of water Cydar out of a Chees of Adam Dickeys he left on the press he gave it to Alex^r

2^d I took three bushels of our new corn to Samuel Moors mill and it ground and on the 26th of October I took 2½ bushels of our new corn there which was the first this year and had it ground there and I went to james Barrs for Mr Shed to see if he would give him Sparance for what he owes him

3^d David writ a deed from Ensign Chubbuck to josiah Gordon of the Easterly lott of Willm Barnets old place and other writings and I took the acknowledgement for which I charged 3/ and David owed Chubbuck 1/4 which answered Chubbucks half all but /2 and Gordon Owes 1/6 And I granted Admr on the Estate of john Wiley late of Peterboro to his son Samuel Wiley the Widow being dead I charged 12/ for the Admr and other trouble and time spent he could not pay me but promised to pay me at January Probate

6th I went to Moses Barrons and Asa Barns and Summoned them to attend at Capt Stinsons and my Arbitration I got james Patterson to go with me my expences /8

8th I took 3 bushells of our own corn to Sam^ll Moors mill and had it ground

9th We butchered our Ox who had had the horn distemper he weighed 335 £ of Beaf and 57½ of a hide

10th I set out to go to Capt Underhills in Chester to sit with Robt Willson Esqr and Mr Pearson Richardson on a Rule of Refferance between Capt Karr and Icabid Harriman and lodged at Robert McMurphys

11th I went to Capt Underhills and attended on the business of the Refferance

12th was on the business of the Refferance and signed our Report for the court about 8 or 9 oclock in the evening we were Unanimous in judgment the parties paid our expences there I took a note from Capt Karr of three dollars for my pay and lodged this night as well as last at Capt Underhills

13th I came home and I bot at Pinkertons an ounce of snuff at /3 a penknif at 1/1 a qt of W : I : Rum at 1/2 and a bit of Bees wax at 4 coppers which things I paid the money for being in the whole 2/8⅔

15th I had a case come before me William Kennedy Plant james Bell Deft they settled the affair themselves I took a note for Mr Underwoods part of the fees which was 7/7 and my part was 4/9 and David went after witnesses in Stinsons and my case

16th I attended at Esqr McGregores on the arbitration between Capt Stinson and me about his land I bot at Cairns Vendue I had Samuel McFarland Lieut Moses Barron Asa Barnes john Aiken james Vose Nathan Shed Majr Goffe james Martin and Zachariah Chandler as Evi-

dences the Arbitrators Awarded that I should give Capt Stinson a Deed of the land back again and to have a year to move the barn and time to pay me seven pounds ten shillings and him to pay the cost of Refferance which was four pounds four Shillings and each of us to pay our own Witnesses with which we complied and I gave him a Deed and he paid me the money Awarded me and we got home awhile before break of day And I took the proof of Benjamin Dodges Will of Lindbor° Exhibited by Major Clark who is one of the Executors

17th I Granted Administration on the Estate of Capt Nathaniel Batchelder of Lindbor° to his son joseph for which he paid me 10/ and Majr Clark paid me 10/ for the proof of Dodge yesterday

18th I paid james McLaughlin half a Guine which paid him what I owed him for his months work this Summer with what I had paid him before and went to james Mathes' and finished the writings between him and his son Robt and did not make any charge but allowed Robt to give me what Apple trees he pleased for doing them It Rained hard and I tarried all night

20th I went to Deacon Smiths mill with 1½ bushel of corn and had it ground he takes the Toal this year of what grain he grinds for me And james Bell helped me yesterday and to day at underpining our house by Frenches

22d I took the order for a Survey in james Smiths dispute and mine to Capt Whiting who is to do it but he could not fix on a time to do it And I got ¼ of peper and ¼ of Allspice at 1/ each and an Almanack at /6 and ½ a bowle of W : I : tody at McGaws for which I paid 2/11

24th I took 3½ bushels of corn to Deacon Smiths mill and had it Ground and I paid the Deacon three shillings for james Neasmiths makeing shoes for us last year

27th David went to McGaws and Majr McQuestons and at both shops and ferriage &c he laid out 29/4

29th I took two bushels of corn and a bushel of the Rie we had from Mr Gordon to Deacon Smiths mill and had it ground and I had ½ a mug of Sling at Stephen Doles for which I paid /4

30th we butchered a sow we did not weigh her I suppos she weighed about eight Score and we borrowed a peck of Salt from my Bror

DECEMBER 1st

I got 1½ bushel of Apples from james Reed I did not pay them he owes me for writing a Deed and are to be discounted by agreement And I writ a Deed from Colo : Moor to james and William Bennet I gave the writing to the Colo : and Bennets paid me a shilling for the acknowledgement And I granted Guardianship to joseph Gibson of Henniker of one Simeon Price a minor upward of 14 years of age for which Gibson paid me a dollar

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM DECBR 1st 1784

2d was The General Thanksgiveing in the State of New Hampshire I got half a gallon of N : E : Rum from Z. Chandler for which I paid 1/9 and I paid 1/4 for David to Chandler

3d Was a great storm of Rain but warm

4th last night the west and South wall of our new Cellar wall tumbled in

5th being Sabath day was the highest freshet in Merrimack River ever seen by any person now liveing last night the bridge over Piscataquog in Bedford was floted off and number of men worked all day saveing the timber and plank of the bridge I had a bowle of Tody at Esqr McGregores for which I paid a shilling

6th I had james Martin junr james McLaughlin and josiah Gordon helping me dig a Drain to our Cellar and I got two Quarts of Rum from Chandler for which I paid 1/9 and I paid old Elisha Lincolns wife a dollar that I owed him for diging at our new Cellar last year

7th james David and Alexr Stoned up the drain we diged yesterday and filled up the Drain And I writ a Deed from Robt Giffen to john Gardner of Giffens place and a pair of leases notes &c for which Giffen paid me ½ a Dollar and the other ½ a dollar Gardner discounted in the two dollars I was to pay Gardner for james Neasmiths makeing shoes for me last year which with a day Runing lines and some acknowledgements of Deeds I had done for him with the takeing the acknowledgement of Mrs Giffens signing the deed I writ today pays the two dollars I promised to pay for Neasmith

9th I went to Deacon Smiths mill with 2 bushells of corn and one of Rie and had it Ground and I stickt up 27 boards being what boards I have at Lieut Orrs mill and james Neasmith came to our house to mend and Make shoes

10th Neasmith shoes

11th I went to Amherst and I bot 3¾ £ of Snuff and 7 £ of Shugar and 2 £ of Tea and a warming pan 38/4 att Meanse which I paid and I got a dozen of of Bisquet at Albrees for which I paid 1/4 Mr Ellsworth gave me my dinner and a glass of Rum and my Mare at hay and I gave one of his children /8 and I gave Lieut Barrons boy /2 for finding my penknif that I lost there about a month ago

13th I went to McGaws and got six pair of heels for which I paid ten pence and I got a Ribbon for jean for which I paid a shilling james sent the money and I Run lines for Lungay for which he paid me a dollar

14th I paid Majr Goffe three crowns peices which was 20/ toward my Note and I went and Run Round the 3d Division No 16 for james Martin it contained 77¼ acres David Stevens and Aron Gage measured it but were not Sworn

15th I went to the Vendue of some things of the Estate of john Gillmor late of Merrymac and I bot a straight bodyd coat and jacot for 1-15-0

17th I Run lines for Lieut Z Walker of the place he bot of David McCleary for which he paid me a dollar The night before I lodged at joseph Thomase

18th I took 3 bushels of Indian corn to Deacon Smiths mill and had it Ground

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On the 16th I took the proof of William Madoels will for which his son Wm one of the Execrs paid me 10/4 the 4 pence to be allowed or paid back

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20th I measured Wm Moors land up the River for which he is to pay me in Grain

21st I got a bushel of salt from McGaw for which I paid him 6/8

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on the 18th I paid james Neasmith two Dollars toward what shoes he has made and mended for me he has made five pair for me at this time

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23 I went to joseph Farmers to Run lines for him and David Rowel and lodged at Farmers

24th and 25th I Run lines for them I charged them three Dollars and Farmer paid me 1½ and Rowell owes me the other dollar and a half Except a fresh cod fish of 17½ £ and a pickled cod of 13½ £ weight I had from him three years ago some time this Winter my ferriage and a glass of Rum I had at McGregores as I went over was /8 which I paid I came over the River on the Ice at McGregores

27th I bot a 15 pr Cent note of 7-7-11 from Nathan Shed for 6-13-4 and I paid him 2-15-4 of the money

28th I went to Litchfield As a surveyor to assist in laying off Widow Parkers thirds and I Recd the list of claims on Capt Parkers Estate and Return of the setting off of the thirds and I gave her a licence to sell the Estate and I settled her admr acct the probate fees came to 1-4-0 and I charged /18 for my journey &c and I made her an allowance of 10 pounds out of the Estate for the upholding of life but forgot to Reckon the the fees for it She paid me the other being Seven Dollars on the 30th and I paid Esqr Underwood five dollars for 10 bushels of corn I had from him last spring and Summer and I spent the fore part of the 30th at Lt Lunds about james McClures affair and I came to McGaws and I bot 4 yards of Shallon for which I paid 8/8 and I had as much Liquor as I paid /7⅓ for

31st I went to Samll Moors mill with two bushels of corn and had it ground and I had a bowle of W : I : Tody at McGregores for which I paid 1/ and I paid Mr Green four pence for mending our Tea pot And james Marrs paid 11 dollars toward his note and an order from Philip Clements for three dollars for the boot I owed him in a swap of Oxen this faull And I paid Nathan Shed Eight dollars towards his 15 pr Cent note I got from him

JANUARY 1st 1785

I got a Quart of Rum from Chandler for which I paid Eleven pence

3d David went to Litchfield and bot at Majr McQuestons and McGaws for divers Articles 5/7

5th I went to Amherst to attend the Probate and Sessions 6th 7th and 8th I attended the Sessions we did as much Probate business as my part of the fees came to 37/6 and I got two dollars of former outstanding fees and the Register and I agreed that he should take all the Remaining out standing fees And I bot at Means 6 yards of Bais at 15/ and 20¾ of Iron at 8/ and 6¼ of jermin Steel at 4/2 and two pair of Mittens at 2/5 for which I paid the money my Expences at Ellsworths was 13/ and at Capt Lovejoys /6 I paid Albree 2/5 for a Gallon and I came home the 8th in the evening

11th I went to McGaws and got 1½ bushel of Oats at 2/ pr bushel and ½ a bowle of W : I : Tody but did not pay for them And I gave joseph Barns a Wart of apprizement on his father Doctor Barns Estate and a Commission to Receive the claims for them he paid me a dollar and he paid me two dollars for my going to Litchfield and takeing several Depositions for his father in his Dispute with Litchfield several years ago

12th I assisted my neighbour james Underwood to move to Goffestown and David and Alexander and our Oxen helped him move and we all tarried over night

13th we came all home in our double Slea

16th I tryed to get a horse to go to Newbury but could a well as I had done last week but all to no purposse And I got two bushel of corn from Samll Moor on john Ordways acct for fees he Owed me on his mothers acct about the admin and Settlement of his fathers Estate and I had ½ a bowle of tody at McGregores for which I paid 1/6

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On the 15th I went to Ens john Riddles and endeavoured to look up the lines of Hannah Vickeres lott for which he promised to pay me and James Marrs paid me four dollars the Remainder of his note for the price of the Ox he bot the 4th of last October and I had ½ a mug of tody at Chandlers for which I paid /8½

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18th I went to Deacon Smiths and he let me have a bushel of Rie and a bushel of Indian and he ground it and I gave him a dollar toward it

22d I lent five pounds and six ounces of Iron to Samll Goffe when the peice was cut it lost a quarter of a pound in cuting the bar which made ten ounces over the 5 pounds

26th and 27th we cut down young pines by the new house by Frenches

28th james Houston shod our Oxen the Shoes were old the iron that made the nails was mine and I got a quart of Rum from Chandler for which I paid him nine pence

31st we got john Moors Mare and james and me set out for Newbury my wife went with us to Londonderry to see her freinds and we lodged at Rob. MacMurphys

FEBRUARY 1st

james and I set out and got to Sweats ferry and lodged at Carrs tavern a very tedious Storm of Snow from the Northeastward the wind high

2d lay by all day the Snow 16 or 18 inches deep & Drifted much no paths

3d Set out from Carrs and got about a mile or a mile and a half beyond the port and could get no farther put up at Mr William Stickneys a private house

4th lay all day james went to old town bridge through the fields

5th james Returned in the forenoon and we set out and got to the port by noon and we got to Caleb johnsons in Hempstead and lodged there

6th Sabathday we came to Major Tolfords about three miles and lodged there

7th we came home our Expences was 1-18-9 we bot a Grindstone for which 1-1-0 and ½ a quintal of Cod fish for which I paid 12/ and I got john Moors mare Shoes toe Corked and Set for which I paid two pistereens and I bot a pound of Casteel soap for which I paid 1/2

8th I sent john Moors Mare home by my James and I went to Deacon Smiths and he let me have two bushels of Indian meal but I could not pay him for it

9th I lengthed the Commission for Receiving the Claims on Daniel Flanders Estate three months and Recd the Return of Setting off of the Widows dower for which I charged a dollar Mr Isaac Chase got done but could not pay the fees

10th I settled with james Underwood all accts as far as we could Remember and he fell four pounds five shillings and three pence in my debt And there is 10/ for the Entry of my case with Wm Newman and james Voses Service of the Writ 3/ which I paid that is not allowed me as yet which if allowed will be four pounds Eighteen shillings and three pence in my favr

11th I went with john Riddel to Hannah Vickere and writ a Deed from her to him of the lott No: 3 in the 7th Rang and took the acknowledgment Riddel is to pay me and I bot a Quire of paper at McGaws for which I paid a Shilling and I got a quart of Rum at Chandlers for which I paid /9

12th Alexr and our Oxen and Sled helped james Houston to get 3 load of wood it began to Snow in the forenoon the afternoon and evening following was a tedious Show Storm from the Northwest it fell about a foot deep

14th I writ a considerable long letter for Mr Shed to Deacon Crofts of Roxbury

15th I took a bushell and allmost a peck of Rie (that my Brors Girls sent over for me to carrie to Pinkertons to get them some things there which I must pay them for) to Samuell Moors mill and had it ground and he let me have the toal which I am to pay him for

16th Alexr borrowed William Wallaces horse to go to Chester for his mother

17th he set out with the Slea and Moly Patten and our Polly went with him

19th I got john Pattens mare and went to Deacon Smiths and he let me have two bushels of Indian meal that he had Ready ground On credit

21st I went to Litchfield at james Thompsons desire to settle his and Majr McQuestons Administrn acct on john Thompsons Estate and Majr McQueston was gone to Boston that I could not settle it and as I came home at McGaws I gave Nenion Clark a Commission to Receive and Examin the Claims on Hugh Ramsys Estate for which he paid me 3/ and I had ½ a mug of W: I: Tody for which I paid five pence

22d joseph Pearson came here and I had to go with to Sheds to see to settle his affair with Shed and went and lodged at john Craigs

23d I went to McGaws McQueston and Dickeys place and got 3½ bushels of Rie of McGaws part and had it ground at Dows mill I had the Toal and came home with it

24th I had to go to Sheds again on Pearsons acct and I gave Alexr Gillcrist a deed of ten acres and a Deed to Thomas Shirley of as much of the west end of Sheds lott and they let Pearson have Cattle on Sheds acct to the amount of 102 Dollars Pearson paid two pounds ten shillings of the cost of the law suit that he Sued Shed And I lodged at Alexr Gillcrists it snowed the greater part of the day from the N: E: the wind high and the Storm constantly increasing it stormed all night and Drifted much

25th a very heavy Storm all day and all the night following and I tarried at Gillcrist

26th I set out for home after 12 o clock and had hard work to get home by dark much drifted at all places where the wind could do it

28th I got 3½ bushels of Rie from Willm Moor up the River one bushell of it he owed me for Runing lines for him last faul and the other 2½ I am to deliver him the same quantity at his brother Samuels when I bring the Rie from McGaws place

MARCH FIRST

I got two bushels of Indian meal from Deacon Smith on Cr

3d I went to Samll Moors to try to get some corn from him on john Ordways acct but got none

4th I went Litchfield and Settled widow Parkers aditional adminn acct I charged two dollars but she could not pay me and I lodged there

5th I settled james Thompson and Major McQuestons adminr acct of john Thompsons Estate for my journey and settling the acct I charged four dollars and for makeing the proportion among the creditors and the decree for payment I charged two dollars but they did not pay me only a Crown barr which my james got out of the present fees and /8 of fees that was formerly due I allowed 19/ out of the whole for the Barr and there Remains due to me 30/ of the whole feas and I Recd the Inventory of Doctr Barns Estate and a petition from the Doctrs widow for an Allowance for swearing the Adminr and for considering the circumstance of the Estate and an Order for an allowance of ten pounds I charged two dollars but he could not pay me and I lodged at Willm Bixbys

6th I come home in the forenoon

7th I went to Lieut john Halls being Derryfield annual meeting and I settled with james Gorman and he owed me ten pounds seven shillings beside what I had Recd I Recd two foot wheels and a new heck and the teething of a heck and a new end on a spool from himself which amounted to 38/6 and he answered a dollar to Charles Emerson that I drawed on order to Emerson for (but did not take up the order from Gorman when we settled) and he answer a bushel of Oats I had from Willm Moor Lieut Moors son at two shillings made in all 46/6 my account with the Intrest amounted to 12–13–7 when 2–6–6 was subtracted left 10–7–1 and on the 8th I took his note on Demand for 10–7–0 with Intrest my expences at Halls was two bowles of tody for which and for ½ a bowle I owed him since I went to Run lines for Wm Gumble and john Duston three years ago I paid him 1/4 and /6 over that he could not give me the change

8th I went to Col: Goffes and he signed A caption on some depositions

him and I took for Esqr Underwood the 23d of june 1774 and I took the acknowledgment of a Deed he gave Ensign Benjn Vickere

9th I writ a Deed from Col: Moor to his brother Deacon Moor and a letter to Joshua Henshaw of Boston at his desire of the Quantity and the Value of his land in Bedford

11th I set out to bring Rie from McGaws place in Goffestown with Frenches Slea and lodged at john Craigs

12th I went to McGaws place and got 8 bushels of Rie and I got it ground at Dows and I had the toal

14th I writ my deposition for Sam^{ll} Kennedy concerning a compt and Wart I signed for him against Capt Richards in the year 1777 and I went to Esqr McGregores and swore to it And I went to David Rowells and I got 11½ of pickled fish and a pair of Ox bows from him the bows was 1/6 the fish we did not agree on the price Kennedy gave me a Dollar for my service

15th I got my Brors old Mare and I went to Hollis at David Wrights of Hollis to Settle old Mrs Cumings Adminr Acct on her late husbands Estate and I lodged at R: Cutts Shannons And the boys (Viz) james and Alex^{r} got Frenches horse and with our Mare went to Lieut Moses Barrons and got three barrels of Cydar toward my services about his fathers Estate

16th Mr Shannon and I settled Mrs Cumings Acct And we Granted Adminr of Wm Nevins Estate to his son joseph with consent of the widow and gave Benjn Colburn a Wart of Apprizement of his fathers Estate and lodged at Mr Shannon

17th we settled Tabitha Fletchers Admr acct on her husbands Estate for which she paid two dollars with drawing the acct which was all the fees we took and I got both dollars and he takes the Rest of what fees we earned and I am to take the fees of makeing the proportion among the Creditors of Capt john Parkers Estate which I am to do at home my horse keeping at Capt Atwells was 3/ and I came to Mr Ellsworths and lodged there

18th I got 2 £ of Tea and 2 Do Snuff and 7 Do of Shugar a dozen of Bisquet at Albrees come to 18/8 and I paid them 12/ of it and I owe them 6/8 of it yet my Expences at Ellsworths was 1/4 which I paid and I came home about 1 or 2 o Clock

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ON the 15th the boys as they were comeing home with the Cydar got 2 bushels of Indian meal and a bushel of Rie meal from Deacon Smith on Credit

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19th I went to McGaws and McQuestons and Dickeys place for Rie but McQueston had put it all off and I got none and came to job Dows and I paid his wife 2/10½ for the toal of the 11½ bushels of Rie I had ground there this winter that I had from said place off McGaw

21st and 22^{d} I made the proportion of Capt john Parkers Estate among his creditors and the order for payment

23^{d} The wind very high and very cold did not do any work abroad

25th I went to McGaws and Settled james Gillmors and john McConihes administration acct of john Gillmors Estate for which I charged 9/ and I drawed the Acct for which I charged 6/1 and I settled with them for all the Probate fees from the first which came to 41/ and I bot a Coat and jacot att 35/ so that there was due to me a dollar and they paid me 2/8 of it and gave me a note for 3/4 And I paid McGaw 3/5 that I owed him for 1½ bushel of Oats and ½ a bowle of W : I : Tody I had the 11th of last janry and I bot 15 ½ pound of Iron from him on Credit came to 6/5

26th I went to Adam Dickeys and got six bushels of Rie by a Verbal measuage on McGaws Acct and I got a bushel from old james Mathes for a Gallon of Rum he had from me three years ago last summer and took the Rie to Deacon Smiths mill and I left 4½ bushels and brot 2½ home to pay Wm Moor the 2½ I got of spring Rie I borrowed from him for sowing of spring Rie

28th I took four thighs two jaws of pork and a Round of Beaf to john Moors to be Bacon,d in his Chimney and took 2½ bushels of the Rie that I got at Adam Dickeys the 26th to Samll Moors and left it there for William Moor to pay for 2½ bushels of Spring Rie I got off him for sowing this winter according to our agreement

29th I went to Col : Goffes and got him to sign four advertisements for the Sale of the Southerly half of the Gore and two supplications for a proprs meeting and I came to Chandlers and got him to sign the supplications and I set up one of each and I paid Chandler nine pence for a quart of Rum I had from his wife the 28th of last Febr and for ½ a bowle of tody today in the whole 1/1

30th A very heavey storm of snow and hail from the N : East held all day and all the Evening it fell 8 or 10 inches deep with considerable of wet among it

31st I new drawed my acct against the proprs of Narragansett township No five

APRIL FIRST

our james workt the Greatest part of the day and the Oxen the afternoon for james Houston and got three jags of wood and he made a Crank for my Grindston of my iron I blowed for him and struck some and john Patten struck the bigest post

2d I went to McGaws and set up the advertisement for a proprietors meeting of Sowhegan East and another for the sale of the Southerly half of the Gore I had no other business and I had ½ a bowle of W : I : tody for which I paid 1/4½ .

3d was a Snow Storm from the Northeast

4th I held a Court Thomas Colburn Plant and joshua Maxfield Deft I gave judgement in the Plant favor and the Deft appealed Colburn paid me 3/9 for the tryal and Maxfield paid me 2/ for the appeal and I had a bowle of W : I : tody at Chandlers (where I tryed the case) for which I paid /10

5th I attended at Chandlers and drawed james Voses Guardianship Acct of Stephen Wood and they settled and Vose fell 22-18-9 and Vose let him

have his horse at 12-0-0 and a Note from the town for 79½ bushels of corn at ½ a dollar pr bushel amounted 11-18-6 which over him 20/ and Vose gave it to him and Stephen Gave him a full discharge my fees for my Service was 15/ which Vose promised to pay me And I made out a Bond of Guardianship to james Moor of Goffestown for two of his Daughters it was dated the first of last March by Reason of want of opertunity to compleat the writings then the fees is 7/6 which he promised to pay me

6th Was the annual march Meeting by Adjournment and Chandler one of the Selectmen got me to go to it to swear the town officers and I went and Swore twenty five of them

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM APRIL 6th 1785

7th My mare went to my Brothers and some of his Cattle hooked her in by the flank and their horn went into her belly and before she was taken notice of there was the bulk of half a peck of her Gutes out at the hole we put them in again and sowed up the skin and I led her home and put her in the barn but she would not eat any and died toward morning the night following And Chandler had my Double Slea to McGaws and I sent a pistereen with him and he brot me a Quire of paper for it

8th we skin,d the mare in the morning and sent the skin up to Frenches The wind at N : E : and in the afternoon and Evening it snowed fast but melted much as it fell

12th I spent half the day a framing articles between josiah Gordon and james Grear and our james concerning their makeing Brick on Gordons land and Samll Willey of Peterborough paid me two Dollars he owed me for Granting administration to him on his fathers Estate the 3d of last November

14th WAS THE GENERAL FAST THROUGH THE STATE

15th I drawed the leases between josiah Gordon and james Grear and my james concerning the privilege of makeing Brick on Gordons land

19th was a proprietors meeting of this town at Chandler and was to a vended the south half of the Gore but it was a snow storm from the N : E : and Col : Goffe could not come and we adjourned the meeting and Vendued to the first Monday of May next at two of the clock afternoon to Chandlers

21st I went to McGaws and got a pound of Snuff and two Gimblets and a pound and half of Chalk and ½ a bowle of W : I : Tody for which I paid 4/7 I had my brors old Mare to Ride on there

22d john Patten and joseph drawed the logs they had at their Mill place in Capt Walkers field and I went down to them and got them to bring up what board I had there up as far as their house I thing there is 32 boards and one plank in number

23d I got Frenches horse and went to john Moors and brot the meat I took there to smoak the 28th of last March it all weighed 80 £ bones and all

29th we began to plow the first this spring and my wife bot from a pedler some articles that came to 2/3⅔ for which I paid the money

30th we plowed and we had my brothers boy to drive our Oxen and

Alex^{r} workt for jona Rand to frame at the house he was building for Fugard

MAY 2d

Alex^{r} and I plowed in the forenoon and Alex^{r} plowed in the afternoon and my Brors boy drove the Oxen for him And in the Afternoon I drawed a Warrant for Thomas Cochran of Newboston to divide his fathers Estate for which he paid me 3/ and then I went the Chandlers to proprs meeting of this town which we adjourned untill the last Tuesday of October next and Colo Goffe and I adjourned the Vendue of the Gore to the same time And I Recd the Will of one Elijah Rice by the Executor Lieut Samuel Wadsworth and one of the Witnesses viz Ezek^{l} Smith made oath to the proof of it and I took Wadsworths and Smiths note for the fees and had ½ a bowle of W : I : Tody I did not settle with Chandler for it And I Recd two thousand of Shingle nails from james Vose on Amos Gardners account that Gardner owed me and Vose owed them to Gardner and paid them to me by agreement

5th I sowed 1½ bushel of Rie in the afternoon toward night and james mended fence from the brook to the pound and the afternoon between and the meadow and Alex^{r} harrowed

6th I sowed 2 bushels of Rie all but about 3 quarts in the morning which finished the north field and then I went and Run the lines of that part of the lott jonathan Rand had from Fugard for Rand which he is to pay me for all but 4 pence which I owed him since he paid me for the acknowledgment of the deed from Fugard to him And I gave jese Cristy junr of Newboston a Citation to Capt Aiken of Dearing to settle a guardianship acct of Cristys wife next Tuesday at Amherst for which he paid me a Shilling

9th I went to Capt Whitings to see him about his doing the survey in the dispute between james Smith and me And I bot two pound of shugar at McGaws for which I paid a pistereen and Alex^{r} went to Robt Mathies^{s} and got Sixty Apple trees from him for me

10th I went to Amherst to the Superior Court and got my case with Smith continued and I lodged at Ellsworths I was detained by reason of agreeing on chainmen to measure on a survey which I was appointed to do in a dispute between the town of Weare and john Dinsmore

11th I was Qualified as a justice of the Coram by judges Farrar and Page and I came home I had my brothers old Mare to Ride over my Expences was 7/4 at Ellsworths and Lovejoys yesterday james Houston set the four shoes on my brothers mare for me

12th I writ a letter to Robt Young of Pelham concerning his Refferance with David Sessions

13th joseph Patten with their three pair of Oxen helped us draw in our logs on the ways at Goffes Mill there was Eleven in Number and then we helped him to draw 1169 feet of boards to the River and 8 or 900 up into their field

14th we began to plow between and the meadow

16th we plowed part of the forenoon and I went to Esqr McGregores for

james Cairns and took the acknowledgment of a Deed for him from Reuben Smith and I writ a power of attorney from Smith to Wm Beard and took the acknowledgment of it and I drawed an acct for Smith against Zadock Reed and swore him to it and certified it I asked Cairns no pay and Smith did not ask me what I charged him nor I did not tell him

18th I went to Majr Goffes sons Saw mill and Sticked up about two thousand feet of boards they sawed of our logs

19th we plowed some for potatoes and got out some Dung for planting them

20th we harrowed the flax ground and plowed a little by Frenches and I took the acknowledgment of two deeds one for James Martin and the other for Wm Parker they were both from David Moor

21st we plowed by Frenches the forenoon and the afternoon we sowed about 6 quarts of flax seed and about as much Barly and near half bushel of Peas where we plowed yesterday and to day by Frenches

23^{d} was Rainy all day and I set five hoops on our Soap barrel and james and Alex^{r} went a fishing to the ponds and catched 63 pickerel pearch and pouts

24th we plowed our flax ground over a second time

25th we had my brothers old brown Ox and yoked our well ox with him and jos steers and the big steers we have had of my brors and plowed all day we plowed an acre or more

26th we had the same team of my brothers to day that we had yesterday and john McLaughlin came with his four Oxen and helped us and we finished plowing between and the meadow and harrowed the toughest of it over

27th we had the same team of my brothers and we had Frenchs pair more than half the day and made two teams with Frenches plow and plowed till night we finished the field all but about twelve or fourteen Rows

28th we finished plowing by Frenchs and then furrowed it and sowed about 22 quarts of flax seed at home

30th I had my brothers old mare and Alex^{r} and furrowed the ground at home the forenoon and joseph Patten helped us and we finished planting all our corn but a little and potatoes

31st David and I plowed some to compleate for planting corn And Alex^{r} cut some Rail cuts of white pine and james helped joseph Patten the forenoon to mend fence

JUNE 1st

I went with Mr Habijah Savage of Boston to show him his land in Sowhegan East I showed him No 48 a meadow lott and the North half of No 15 Third division and No 8 in the 4th Rang second division a very fateaging days work I charged him two dollars and he paid me the money and I had to lodge at Deacon Gages it was I suppose Eleven o Clock at night when we broke up

2^{d} I got two bushels of Salt from Lieut Orr as I came home in the morning for which I paid him 13/4 and I went to the falls in the afternoon

and I got 4 Shad and Alex^{r} got 61 and Robt got 16 I had a glass of Gin and a mug of tody at Esqr McGregore on credit

3^{d} I went to Esqr McGregores and got a pair of Oxen and Cart and brot all our fish and 31 shad of joseph Pattens to Piscataquog and Alex^{r} met me there with a pair of my brors oxen and Cart and brot them home and I had half a mug of tody at Esqr McGregores on credit

4th james and workt at makeing a Cannoo for our selves and james Houston paid me 50 nails that he borrowed from me to make his son Davids Coffin .

6th james and I workt at the Canoo

7th I went to the falls toward the middle of the day and I fished at the upper seting place and I got a salmon of 9 £ and I sold it for ½ a dollar and I changed 9 shad for ½ a bushel of salt and I sold two shad for /8 and I had 3 shad left and Alex^{r} got 6 shad on the Island and I fished Eells the night following and got 49 three of which I gave to Eliph^{t} Emery and Mr Wyman and on the 8th I got 5 shad and 9 £ of salmon one shad I gave to Smith the Breeches maker for a mug of Cydar and Alex^{r} got 4 shad and a 20 £ salmon on the island and I gave Robert Mathes two shad and james finished the Cannoo and brot her up in the forenoon and I came home and brot 15 shad 47 Eells and Alex^{r} salmon and mine to Majr Goffes field in the Cannoo james and Alex^{r} stayed at the falls

9th it came on Rain in the night before and Rained all day very hard and james and Alex^{r} came home but got nothing and I spent the day with james Vose Examining his Constable accts and just before night awhile on Stephen Wood and Voses affairs

10th I went with john Pattens mare to Goffestown and got Shed to sett the shoes on her forefeet and I got a bushel of Rie from Alex^{r} Gilcrest for 30 Eels his son Robt got from me the 18th of last june

11th I went to Deacon Smiths mill with the bushel of Rie I got from Gilcrist yesterday and my brothers wife lent me ½ a bushel of Indian corn I took two bushel of Indian corn for them and got it all ground I had johns mare to mill

13th I got two bushels of corn from Robt Alexander for which he would take but a dollar for it and I had john Pattens mare and I took 1½ bushel of corn for my brothers folks and got theirs and my two bushels ground at Deacon Smiths mill and we backed up a piece of ground west of the Garden and planted it with yellow beans and I went to the falls

14th 15th and 16th I fished and in these three days I let Alex^{r} Gilchrists john have 40 Eells and john Craigs joseph have as many and I let William Dunlap of Heniker have 30 Eells The boys (viz) james and Alex^{r} fished allso and they put off Eels but I dont know how many

17th I got 35 £ of Salmon and 20 Eells the night following I got 20 Eells and I let Mrs Kitridge have 20 Eels which paid all the liquor the boys and I have have had at Esqr McGregores this fish time with what Eels we let her have before and six Eels over I owe 2 mugs of Cyder at Oliver Emersons

18th we all come home and brot home 40 Eels and the 35 £ of salmon I got yesterday and I gave my brother one salmon of 10 £ weight

20th james and Alexr and I went and helped my brother to hoe at his corn

21st we finished weeding my brors corn before noon and I had my brors mare to plow and boy to lead and my bror and joseph came and began to hoe at our corn

22d my bror and joseph and their boy helped us and a horse to plow and we finished the corn at home and part of the potatoes

23d my bror and joseph and their boy and their horse helped us and we hoed the corn by Frenches

24th james and Alexr workt at Piscattaquog Bridge and I mended the fence by Frenches and then I went to james Gormans to see to have him get me a barrel of Rum and five thousand of Board nails toward what he owes me

25th james and Alexr and I workt at Piscataquog Bridge

27th james and Alexr workt at Piscataquog Bridge

28th I went to Amoskeig and took off our Stag and brot home the bolt and I got a Salmon that weighed 17½ £ and I had ½ a bowle of W: I: tody at Esqr McGregores which I had paid in Eells the 18th Instant when I paid our Expences there I paid six Eels over

30th I had Martins four Oxen and my brors Cart and james and Alexr went to McGregores and brot to the barn fram 2800 long shingles that I got off David Pudney and I went to Run lines for William Patterson and David Richards but my Compass got out of order and I could not And I had a bowle of W: I: tody at McGregores the one of it was paid in Eells the 18th Instant the other half I owe

JULY 1st

I went and Run lines for William Patterson and David Richards and I lodged at Pattersons over night

2d I Run lines for Richard Colbey for which he paid me a Dollar And we butchered our black Cows Calf it weighed 49 £ of Veal

4th I got two pound of Shugar from Wm Parker with a pound I got from his wife in june paid for the acknowledgment of a deed from David Moor to him and one to james Martin junr and I went and Run the west side of David Richards land I lodged there

5th I went to Daniel Martins and laid off 50 Acres of the South side of his land that he sold to Docter Duston and I Run the North side line of john Doltons land for wich David Martin paid me a dollar and David Richards paid me ½ a dollar for what I did for him at Runing the lines of his place

6th was a great Rain the fore part of the day and last night

7th I had my brothers old Mare and went to Amherst to try to get Nails to do our Barn but could not get any for I could not get any money from them that owed me And I paid Mr Albree 6/8 that I owed him since the 18th of last March and I Renewed my Execution against Wm Newman for which I paid 1/4 and I paid my Expences at Ellsworths being 1/10 and I paid five pence I owed at Capt Lovejoys and four pence toward ½ a bowle of tody and Alexr began to mould the corn

8th we hoed at the corn and joseph Patten helped us the Afternoon

9th joseph Patten and Levi Whitman helped us hoe

11th Robert came home yesterday and hoed with us today and we finished the corn I have had my brothers boy and a horse to plow all the time we have been a hoeing

12th james hauled his Barn off Stinsons land and Robt Alexr and I went up we had my brothers old mare and Simeon Chubbucks horse and we took up all our chains and a Draft chain of my brothers and the Rum and we filled at the barn untill the people and Oxen come we got it to where he ment to take it and had it leveled by an hour of up sun and we all dispersed about sun set and Robt and Alexr and I came home

13th Alexr helped Simion Chubbuck to Mow most of the afternoon which I suppose will pay for his horse we had yesterday and I finished hoeing the potatoes

14th Alexr mowed for his uncle the afternoon and I hoed at the Beans north of the Garden

15th Alexr mowed for his Uncle and I finished hoeing the beans

16th Alexr mowed for his Uncle and I went to Litchfield and had my Brothers old Mare and I took Widow Parker the proportion she has to pay the Creditors to her late husbands Estate the fees was two dollars she said she could not pay it and I got a bushel of Rie from Gersham Harvil at 5/ but I could not pay him for it I paid four pence at Reeds for my ferriage And I got 12 £ of Small sort Deck nails from William Parker at five pence pr £ to be paid in work they were at Majr McQuestons and I got them there

18th Alexr mowed for james Houston and I suned the bushel of Rie I had from Gersham Harvil on the 16th it shrinked two Quarts in about an hour and little more suning and I took it to Samll Moors mill and had it ground I helped him to pick the Bed Stone and lay the Runer down

19th I went to the Hill to see if could Swap an Ox with Samll Webster but he had not determined to put him off and I went to james place and he and I got three Rake handles and two Scoop net bows and I brot them home on my shoulder

20th Alexr mowed the baulk in the field by Frenches and the Run in the back field

21st Alexr mowed for his Uncle the forenoon and the Afternoon he went to the Raising of Colo: Kellys Saw mill

22d Alexr mowed for his Uncle to the middle of the Afternoon when there came on a shower as heavy an one as perhaps I ever see with an Extraordinary wind it broke one of our Appletrees off in the middle of the body Razed the Roots of an other broke the main tope branch off another and Drove over Rail fence and board fence I think it might be called something of an hurricane there was considerable of hail with it And in about an hour after it was over there came on another very great shower but the wind not higher than is common in such Showers a great deal of thunder with both showers and a great Quantity of Rain fell in each it laid the corn generally down and the Rie and broke many corn stalks entirelly off at the lott by Frenches it blowed many treas out of ground

and broke many off many thriveing white oakes torn up by the Roots a pine that was crotched each part 18 or 20 inches diameter both broke entirely off about 20 feet high O Lord who can conceive of thy Almighty power and yet thou walkest on the wings of the wind in the most calmest manner even when that Airy substance is agitated in the fiercest motion we mortals ever beholds yet all we can conceive is Infinitely short of thee Give us Exalted thoughts of the and humble and abaseing thoughts of our selves

23d a clear good hay day the wind at N: W: we got in what hay we had in the Run and back about half a load and We all helped my brors to Rake up what hay they had down in the afternoon

25th we butchered our brindled Cows calf it weighed 44 £ of Veal and we took the skin and the skin of the Calf we killed the 2d Instant to Frenches to Tan and a small Squashbellys Skin And we had my brothers old mare and began in the afternoon to plow among the Corn by Frenches for hilling Alexr led her

26th we had my brothers old mare and had Frenches son Stephen to lead her about half the forenoon and finished plowing the corn by Frenches and the afternoon our David helped us hoe

27th it Rain,d some little and I went to Goffes ferry and Recd a Barrel of Rum of 32 Gallon from james Gorman toward what he owes me on his note and james Walker brot it to Chandlers for me and I had a bowle of N: E: tody at Chandlers on credit to treat for bringing it And I got 1½ £ of Tea from Wm Parker for which I paid him a dollar the money was our james David got it from Alexr Gregg for him toward a side of Upper leather he had of our james some years ago

28th We finished hilling the corn by Frenches

29th Alexr began to hill the corn at home and I went to Esq McGregores to see about swaping my near Ox with him but did not come to any conclusion

30th Alexr and I hill,d at the corn and in the evening Alexr got a quart of Rum from Chandler on credit

AUGUST 1st

john Cuningham helped us hill the corn for my writing the lease between him and john Butterfield of Deacon Littles place spring was a year and we finished hilling the corn & we borrowed a quart of Rum from Wm Parker and got two pound of Shugar from Parker on credit

2d I went and see james and Robert at their places and got 4 Rake handles and Alexr began to Reap at the winter Rie he Reaped 2 stocks and 7 sheaves

3d Alexr and I Reaped 5 stooks and one sheaf And I went to james Gormans and I got Eight Gallon of Rum from him toward what he owes me on his note at two shillings pr Gallon

4th Gorman brot the Rum I got from him yesterday to Capt Samll Moors and Alexr met him there with my brors mare and brot the Rum home And we finished Reaping Our Winter Rie we have 14 stooks and 7 sheaves

5th Alexr got in the Rie and thrashed three Stooks of it and I cleaned

it there was 3½ bushels of it and about 4 Quarts of it And I took 1½ bushel and the odd quarts to Sam^{ll} Moors mill and had it ground and I paid William Parker a quart of Rum Alex^{r} borrowed from him the 1st Instant and I paid Chandler a quart Alex^{r} borrowed of him the 30th of last month and I lent joseph Patten a gallon of Rum yesterday and another Gallon today

6th was a Very considerable Rain

8th Alex^{r} went to the little meadow to mow being the first we mowed there this Season and I worked at makeing a Spear and axle tree for the long body

9th I workt at the Spear and Axltree and Alex^{r} workt at the meadow and Swore Phineas Aiken to his bringing a barrel of Rum from Amsbury into this State no fees pd

10th I Run the lines of the lott No 47 in Goffestown for Colo Kelley which paid him for his service of the writ that I sued Deacon Moor and his sons about the meadow several years ago And Alex^{r} workt at the meadow and Robert come from his place and workt with him and jean and Sarah workt at shakeing out the hay and Raking

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11th Robt and Alex^{r} and the girls workt at the meadow

12th and 13th the two boys and Girls work at the meadow and I made a spear and Axle tree for the long body,d Cart

15th I went and brot home a load of hay from the meadow being the first and james Robt and Alex^{r} and the Girls workt at the meadow

16th joseph Patten brot two load of hay for me and and I brot two and james Robt and Alex^{r} and john Alexander workt with us for a day our Alex^{r} Reaped for them last week

17th Joseph Patten brot two load of hay and Robt Alexander brot one and I brot one and we finished mowing the forenoon

18th joseph Patten brot two load and Robt Alexander brot one and I brot one

19th we got the last of the hay into Cock

20th john Alexander brot two load of hay and I brot one which finished

22^{d} I set out to do the survey in the dispute between john Dinsmoor and Nath^{ll} Wead at Weare and I lodged at Lieut Halls in Weare and Patrick Fling Reaped Rie for me

23^{d} Thos Lancey Reaped for me half of the day which finished we have Stooks of spring Rie And I began to measure At Weare N: E: corner and measured westward 3 miles and 47 Rods to Hopkinton S: W: Corner which is a white burch I lodged at Colo Pages in Weare

24th Measured to weare N: W: corner 6 miles and 271 Rods from where we began at the N: E: corner and measured 1¼ mile on the west side line of Weare lodged at one Mr Browns^{s}

25th measured on to Bond Littles and Run no more this day by Reason of a Shower and lodged at Nath^{ll} Weeds

26th went on to Francestown line 5 miles and 209 Rods from the N: W: corner and then on to Weare S: W: 6 miles and 268 Rods from the N: W:

corner then went on the south side line 244 Rods from thence Southerly 183 Rods to Newboston N: W: corner on old hailtown old line line then from Weare line we went to Newboston said corner northerly 174 Rods to the N: E: corner of the land in dispute which finished the measureing on the Survey lodged at Mr Weeds

27th I settled for my lines that I have been on the Survey which is six days for which john Dinsmoor gave me his note for 3 : 12–0 and I came home my Expences on the Road was six pence

29th Alexr workt at the brick and I workt half the day at the brick and james workt for me with Robt Alexander a makeing fence at the meadow

30th Alexr Workt at the brick and I went to David Pudney at Monterloney to borrow a barrel of Rum from him to use at makeing brick and john McLaughlin found me a horse to Ride and james workt for me with with Mr Alexander at the fence

31st Alexr and I workt at the brick and jas workt with Mr Alexr at the fence for me

SEPTEMBER 1st

james Alexr and me workt at the brick

2d Rainy and dull weather

3d Alexr and I workt at the brick the afternoon

5th 6th 7th 8th 9th and 10th james Alexr and me workt at the brick

12th james and Alexr workt at the brick and jean and Sarah and I Cut at the Stalks and joseph Patten cut with us the afternoon and Zebediah Rowal almost half the afternoon

13th james and Alexr workt at the brick the forenoon jean sarah and I cut at the Stalks and the afternoon I makt at the brick and the two Girls finished cuting Stalks

14th james workt at the brick and Alexr the forenoon he was out of Case the afternoon and I workt at the brick the Afternoon

15th james workt at the brick and Alexr the afternoon and I tied Stalks

16th james workt at the brick and Alexander the forenoon and I hooked peas and bound Stalks

17th james workt at the brick and Alexr the afternoon and I finished binding Stooking the Stalks

19th Alexr workt at the brick the afternoon and james and I made a Hog pen the forenoon and and the forenoon Alexr thrashed 2½ Stooks of Spring Rie And I got ½ £ of Snuff from William Parker on Credit

20th james and Alexr workt at the brick and I went to Samll Moors mill with the two bushels of Rie that Alexr thrashed yesterday and had it ground and jean and I went and carried our peas into Frenches Barn

21st Rained and dull cloudy weather

22d Was held as A fast in Bedford preparitory for administering the Sacrament next Sabathday

23d james Alexr and I workt at the brick

24th was likely for Rain and Alexr went to the meadow to cover the brick we Struck yesterday but joseph Bell and Robt Lincoln had just got them done as he got there

26th I went to Hollis to try get Capt Whiting to do the Survey in my case with james Smith but he could not come before the court and I lodged at Esqr Worcesters without cost

27th I Returned home yesterday and today Alexr thrashed our Peas at Frenches barn

28th Alexr and I workt at the brick

29th Alexr and I workt at the brick and I had jonathan Bailey helping me at the brick

30th Alexr and I workt at seting the brick and I had Robt Alexr junr helping me and Mr Alexander gave me a barrel of Cydar and David brot it home and he helped us set brick near half the day

OCTOBER FIRST

Alexr and I workt and the brick and we got them set Ready to begin to burn

3d Alexr and I workt the brick Killn burning and geting wood and Alexr sit up all night helping to tend the Killn

4th Alexr helped to tend the Killn till near night And I went to Amherst to Return the plan of Dinsmoor and Weeds dispute Dinsmoor became Nonsuit and Lieut Dinsmoor his father gave me his note for my service in doing the Survey in the Room of his sons note I had taken for it before with three Dollar more for the plan and going to Amherst to make Return And I got my case with Lieut Smith continued with considerable worry and I came home my expences at Ellsworths was a Shilling which Esqr Worster promised to pay for me

5th Patrick Fling workt for me ageting wood for the brick Killn and Alexr workt at it too and I thrashed two Stooks of Rie and our jean and Sarah took up our flax and Jos: Patten got wyths and bound it and Carted it to our Barn with their team

6th Alexr tended the brick Killn and I cleaned up what Rie I thrashed yesterday and with what was out before made two bushels and about five Quarts and I went to Deacon Smiths mill and got it ground

7th Alexr tended the brick kiln and I pulled some beans

8th Alexr tended at the brick Killn and Patrick Fling cut wood for the Killn for me

10th james cut wood for the Killn and Alexr tended it and I pulled at the beans and got what was pulled into the barn

11th Alexr and I workt at the County bridge and james tended at the brick killn

12th they finished burning the brick since the Killn was set aburning accounting a night equal to a day I have done 21½ days it was set afire the 3d Instant and Bell 17½ days of a man and 4 days of one pair of Oxen and McLaughlin 14 days and 5½ days of a pair of Oxen and Lieut Smith 6½ days and 2 days of a pair of Oxen and Mr Ezekl Lincoln helped us at setting and burning equal to 8½ days

13th I got a quarter of a pound of, Snuff from Wm Parkers wife for which I paid nine pence and I pulled some beans and Alexr thrashed some beans and james began to dig Potatoes

14th james and the Girls diged potatoes and I finished pulling beans between and the barn

15th we buried 62 bushels of potatoes in a hole and diged a few and put into the Cellar

17th we cleaned up 6 bushels of beans and winowed our peas clean we have 5¾ of a bushel of them

18th we diged more potatoes and put into the Cellar which made up in all about 26 or 27 bushels in the whole that we put into the Cellar

19th we diged more potatoes and put into the Cart to put into Frenches Cellar and I cleaned up 2 bushels and about 12 quarts of beans

20th we finished diging potatoes I suppose we have about 30 bushels to go into Frenches Cellar And I let Thomas Boies have 901 feet of Boards at Goffes saw mill toward 1500 feet my james borrowed from him at Riddels mill two or three years ago and we thrashed out the last of our beans

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On the 17th we butchered our heifer she weighd 298 £ of beaf and 53 £ of hide and And on the 11th I attended at Chandlers in the Evening and took the acknowledgement of two deeds the one from Thos Lancey to john Patten and the other from Daniel Blodget to Thos Lancey and Blodget paid me a Shilling for one acknowledgement and the other was for john Patten to pay

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21st A Rainy day

22d A Rainy day Alexr and I hunted to find our Canoe but found it went off last night the River Riseing very fast

23d Sabathday the River very high and Riseing very fast and james and Alexr workt at Piscataquog Bridge to secure it from going off with a number of the neighbours and Oxen

24th the River at the height about ten of the clock the highest flood ever known and james and Alexr with a number of the neighbours workt at Saveing the timber of the bridge which went off some time last night after Eleven oclock at which time our james came away from the Bridge which had not floated when he left it

26th we began to cut up and get in the first of our corn out of the field by Frenches

27th we were geting in corn and john and joseph Patten helped us husk in the Evening

28th we got the last of our corn that growed by Frenches and all my Brothers famely Except himself helped us husk and we finished husking what growed by Frenches we have 30 bushels of it

29th we got the corn into the house and brot the Stalks and pumpkins home from there

31st I got 1½ Gallon of Rum from Chandler on john Riddels Acct except ½ pint and I got ½ a gallon of Mollasses from Riddel himself toward what Service I did for him about the lott of land he got from Hannah Vickere and Alexr went with the Oxen and Cart to William McAllesters and brot a barrel of Rum from there to Chandlers for Chandler and I got a £ of Shugar from Wm Parkers wife for which I paid ½ a pistereen and our Betsey had some help to Quilt at a petticoat

NOVEMBER 1st

I went to Capt Timothy Eatons farm in Goffestown to Run lines and Measure land for him and james and Alex^{r} began to Gathar corn at home

2^{d} 3^{d} 4th and 5th I was on Capt Eatons business and Settled with him for What I did now and for two days I was there last faul and for a plan I am to make of his farm came to 42/ and I took his note for it and came home and they had got in all the corn and had it huskt we have 40 bushels of what growed at home

7th I went to john Morrisons in the Double Rang in Londonderry on a Rule of Court Between Robt Young and David Sessions they agreed themselves and we Reported accordingly I charged three dollars for all my trouble and Young paid me 1½ dollar and I took Sessions gave me his note for the other 1½ dollar my Expences was 1/4

8th I came home and I bot ½ £ of Snuff at Jas Pinkertons for which I paid 1/6

11th james Alex^{r} and I with the other partners began to open the brick kiln and heak by the brick

12th james and I workt at heaking by the brick and Patrick Fling worked for me at the brick

13th james worked at heaking the brick and I went to Goffestown and Run lines for Mr Wells the blacksmith and lodged at Mr Rogers

15th I Run lines for Mr Wells about ¾ of the day I charged 10/6 for yesterday and today which Mr Wells promised to pay me

16th I got a Gallon of Mollasses from William Allester and I swore him to his bringing 62 Gallon of Rum into this State which paid a shilling of it and I made out a certificate for him last month paid another shilling of it that paid it all but eight pence and I got a side of upper leather from French

17th I signed a Writ for jane McCartney of Londonderry against Moses Gerrish the fees unpaid and I gave james Martin junr of 171 Gallon of Rum into this State I gave it to him

18th I went to Deacon Smiths mill with two bushels of Indian corn and a bushel of Rie and had it ground I took it on Mr Underwoods colt

19th I went to Piscataquog bridge with the boys dinner and I staid till night and I gave Majr Goffe an order on Wm Bixby for 22/ which paid my note I gave him on job Holbrooks acct and I got up my note and Grigs Goffe mended some at my old shoes but did not tell how much he charged

21st I went to Derryfield and Run lines for to find the north line of the town and lodged at Lt Halls

22^{d} on the same business and I came home in the Evening the Commitee that employed me were Lieut Hall Lieut Sam^{ll} Stark and john Goffe junr

23^{d} I was much out of Case and lay abed all day and had the Rose in my Right leg I got a considerable sweat the Comt for puting up Piscataquog bridge they have workt seven days in which time james workt seven days and David 5½ days

24th Was thankesgiving throughout the State Mr Cotton preached in Bedford continued out of case but was some better

25th continued to Recover better the night following there fell a snow of 7 inches deep

26th Alexr and James and our Oxen with joseph Patten and their team hauled two logs to Goffes mill to make plank to cover the bridge between and my brothers and they got one of them sawed and got the plank home the other they left unsawed

28th james workt at the bridge and David and Alexr made about a day

29th we butchered the Cow we called the poor heifer she weighed 264 £ of Beaf and 39 pounds of a hide and after james workt at the bridge and they finished it

30th I went to Deacon Smiths mill with four Bushels of corn and had it ground and I had Mr Underwoods horse to carrie it on

DECEMBER 2d

Capt Whiting came and began on the Survey by order of the Superiour court in the dispute between james Smith and me and I got a quart of Rum from Stephen Dole on credit

3d we were on the Survey and I got a quart of Rum from Stephen Dole on credit and I took the acknowledgement of two Deeds the one from Capt Whiting to jacob McGaw and Stephen Dole and the other from McGaw to Whiting and I swore David Riddel to his bringing Rum into this State The chain men on the Survey was jacob McGaw and Stephen Dole

5th OUR Robert began to make shoes for us

8th I got a peice of skin from French to make some heel Rans

9th I got ½ a pound of Tea from Wm Parkers wife at 1/9 of which I paid 1/6

12th I had Mr Underwoods Horse and took two bushels of corn and two of Rie to Deacon Smiths mill and had it ground

On the 10th I swore john Riddel to three Certificates of his bringing Rum into this State

14th David and I went and got two Sticks for to make Runers for Sleds and took them to Goffes mill and had them Sawed they made a pair for a loging and a pair for a wood Sled

15th David and I went and got a Stick for Spears and another for Beams and Rowlers and took them to Goffes mill but did not get them home with us but they sawed them in the Evening

16th I went Goffes mill and took four bushels of corn and had it ground and brot it and the Spears and beams home that they sawed last night

17th we were Surprised with the news of john Griffen junr and his wife and of Adam Thompson being drowned last night going home from Wm McLaughlins infare and all my sons and I spent the day in looking for them the men were found presently but could not find the woman

18th we all with a large number of people searched for the woman but could not find her and we all attended the removal of Griffens corpse from his fathers house for interment

19th I went from John Bells to Isaac Atwoods for john Bell and took the acknowledgement of a Deed from Atwood to Bell

20th john McLaughlin john Bell Adam Smith and I met at Joseph Bells and settled about our Brick and the Expences in makeing them I am to have 9145 brick and my part of barrel of rum we had came to ten gallon one quart and a pint and what my part to pay Mr Lincoln for what he helped us is 8 shillings and one penny half penny

22d I went to Isaac Atwoods and got a meat Tub he made for me and I took half a bushel of yellow beens toward the pay for it and on the 21st I took 5½ bushels of corn to Goffes mill and had 4 of it ground into meal and 1½ into Samp

23d we butchered our three hogs they weighed 180 £ apeice one with the other and I borrowed a bushel of salt from my brothers folks

24th I swore William McAlester and gave him a Certificate of his bringing 31½ Gallon of Rum into this State the feas to be settled in our Acct And john Lincolns wife finished making a Coat for me and turning a jacoat for our Robert she charged a Dollar for the whole and I gave her a bushel of yellow beans home with her toward her pay

28th Alexr and I went to the Ministerial land and got a stick for a pair of Sled Runers

29th I took it to Goffes mill and took two bushels of corn and two of Rie but could not get the stick sawed nor the grain ground

30th was a heavey snow storm it fell 10 inches deep

31st I went to Goffes mill and got the Meal of the grain I took there day before yesterday and I took 1¼ bushel of Winter Rie with me today and had it Ground

JANUARY 1786

3d there fell a snow knee deep that it is now about 2½ feet deep on a level

4th we broke out to our wood by james Wallaces and brot home enough for two or three fires and I got an Earthern mug two poringers and a bason from Enssign Chubbuck at two shillings which I endorsed on the note I have off him and john Lincoln nothing material untill the 26th on which I bot a pair of Cloath breeches at 15/ and a pair of stockings at 3/ at the Vendue of john Griffens things and the next day I gave my note payable in five months for the money

FEBRUARY 18th

I got four bushels of Indian corn and two bushels of Rie ground at Goffes mill and in january and the fore part of this month I got the same Quantity of Rie and Indian ground before and I made a new wood Sled

20th there fell a snow about nine inches deep

24th there fell a snow about 18 inches deep

25th David and I went to john Griffens and helped him to settle his Estate and David writ the deed and and I took the acknowledgement the charge to be settled on a note I gave for things I bot at the Vendue of john Griffens junr things

27th I gave john Aiken junr four Certificates of his bringing Rum into

this State the fees not paid and I gave john Patten a certificate of his bringing a barrel of Rum into this State

MARCH 3d

I went with William Williamson of Londonderry to Widow Riddels in this town and took the acknowledgement of a Deed from Sussanna Bell to his father for which he gave me a quarter of a dollar and I swore Docter john Queen to an acct against james Gillmoor and another against Zechariah Pike and to another against Peter Hovey and certified one oath to each acct I charged him a shilling for each he promised to pay me in a few days

4th I got 6 bushels of Indian corn and two bushels of Rie Ground at Majr Goffes mill And I went to john Boies to take the acknowledgement of a Deed from his mother to him of the old place but she would not do it

6th I swore Asael Smith to his account against David Rowel I charged a shilling unpaid

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7th David writ a power of Attorney for Asael Smith and I took the acknowledgement the whole charge 1/6 unpaid and I went to Maj Goffes and got john McLaughlins Team and brot 45 boards up to Frenchs and Majr Goffe helped me up the School house and Cuting hills with a pair of Cattle

8th I took ten boards and a plank that lay by my Brothers up to Frenches and I took a stick of Ranging timber of Robt to the mouth of the brook and I got a pair of john McLaughlins Oxen and a pair of josiah Gordon and I brot 44 boards from the mill being the last I have there up to Frenches

9th I gave james Gillmoor a Summons for Evidences for his arbitration with Doctr Queen and I got Majr Goffes horse and Wm Parkers little Slay and I went to Samll McFarlands and I took two bags full of potatoes half a bushels of peas and a little flax to him a present and I lodged there

10th I went to Majr Pinkertons and I bot a pound of Tea and ½ a pound of Snuff for which I paid 4/6 and Saml McFarland gave me a barrel of Cydar and I brot it home and I Attended at James Gillmor and Doctr Queens arbitration for which I was allowed a Dollar in the bill of the Arbitration cost

13th was a town meeting for the choice of a Presedent Senators Representative County Treasurer and Recorder which I attended

14th James Martin junr came in the Afternoon with their 4 oxen and hauled up two load of wood for us

15th I went to Amherst an Evidence for jotham Stearns in his case with james Sanders he kept me at Capt Heldreth

16th 17th and 18th I attended the Session as well on Stearns acct he bore my Expences all but 1/4

20th I let Wm Parker half half a bushel of yellow beans toward what I

owe him and I attended on james Gillmor of this town and Swore the Apprizers of a Cow and a mare he took by Execution from Doctr Queen and I lodged at Gillmors over night my fees was a dollar to be paid by Gillmor

25th I took 4 pair of Thighs and 4 pair of jaws of pork to john Moors to Bacon and I took three thighs for Frenches I had Frenches horse to carrie the meat on And I left three orders with john Moors wife for him to the amount of 3 : 9 : 9 toward my Rates one I drawed on the County Treasurers for 1 : 12 : 0 and one of 11/6 drawed on him by the Selectmen for work done a Repairing Piscataquog bridge and another drawed by Samlt Goffe one him for Rebuilding Piscataquog bridge last Summer of 1 : 6 : 3

27th I had john McLaughlins Mare and took provisions to David McClearys for our Robert and I went to john Craigs and Rough shaved three net poles that I had there which I cut last Summer and brot them home

28th I went to Londonderry for jotham Stearns as a witness at his second trial with james Sanders before Esqr Neill and I lodged at Robert McMurphys

29th I came home

30th I went to Litchfield to try to get money but got none and lodged at William Pattersons

31st I came to Jacob McGaws and I settled with him for 17½ bushels of Rie I had from him a year ago I had 11½ at his and Majr McQuestons and Adam Dickeys place in Goffestown and I got from Adam Dickey on his acct made the 17½ at 4/6 per bushel and for 15½ £ of iron at 1/5 pr £ came to 4-5-1 for which I gave him a Note on Intrest

APRIL 1st

john McLaughlin and us joined and drawed in 17 logs of his unto the ways at Goffes mill and 16 for us being the last we both had to draw in

2d was a Violent snow storm from the N : E : the wind very high and the snow drifted much it fell a foot deep

3d was a pleasant day and john McLaughlin helped Alexr to the River with two sticks of Ranging timber and then Alexr helped him to draw six load of boards from Goffes mill to the River

4th Patrick McLaughlin helped Alexr to the River with 3 sticks of Ranging timber and then they went to Goffes mill and hauled 10 stocks of boards for us and all that McLaughlin had Sawed to the River which took them till evening

5th we got my brors Steers and drawed out five sticks of Ranging timber to Holms bridge and then David and Alexr set out for Litchfield to bring up our Cannoe which went off last faul freshet

6th WAS THE ANNUAL FAST THROUGHOUT THE STATE

7th David and went with the Oxen and wheels to Reeds ferry for our Cannoe and I had ½ a mug of W : I : Tody and ½ a pound Snuff at McGaws toward which I paid nine pence the Remainder of the price I owe and in the evening I took the Acknowledgement of a Deed for Zekeil Lincoln unpaid The deed was from john McIntosh

8th I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from Timothy Kimbel to james Vose which Vose promised to pay for and I took the acknowledgement of a bill of sale for Timothy Kimbel unpaid and I took the acknowledgement of a deed from Wm Fisk to john Spalding of Tewskberry to be paid by Spalding and I let Zekiel Lincoln 15½ bushels of potatoes 5 I gave him for a barrel of Cydar which I got today 5 I gave him for my part of his wages helping to burn the brick last faul 1½ I gave him out Right and the Remainder being 4 bushels he owes me I proposse to have ¼ of a dollar pr bushel

10th I let Nathan Shed have 8 bushel of potatoes came to two Dollars and the afternoon I went at Col Goffes desire to his house to swear some Evidences in an Arbitration between him and Enos Webster they awarded that the cost should be paid equaly between them I charged a Dollar for my service I forgave Colo Goffe his half the other half Webester owes me

11th we began to plow by Frenches being the first this Spring

12th we had james Reads four Oxen the forenoon and his old Oxen the afternoon and we went with two plows and had Ebenr French and Zebedee Rowel driveing for us and we finished plowing the field by Frenches

13th I sowed two bushels of Rie and about 20 quarts of peas by Frenches and in the Evening I swore Elisha Lincoln to his bringing 63 Gallons of Rum into this State I charged a Shilling unpaid

14th Alexr Harrowed at the Rie and peas I sowed yesterday as well as yesterday part of the afternoon and john Moor brot home our bacon that was at his house 123½ £ of it

On the 13th Alexr got six bushels of corn Ground at Majr Goffes mill

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15th we got 2 bushels of Rie ground at Majr Goffes mill we hauled of 82 boards and two planks at the Saw mill and I settled accounts with Asael Smith and he fell 7/8 in my debt and he gave me an Order on Wm Parker for the money which Parker promised to answer

17th we had my brors Steers and we hauled some heading the boys made by Wallaces and then we hauled five sticks of Ranging timber to the River

19th Robt and Alexr and I Rafted the Ranging timber and they Rafted they Reckoned about 2000 of the boards they had Sawed at Goffes mill and Mrs Lincoln came hear to turn Davids Coat and jacot and I let French have half a bushel of Flax seed

20th Robt and Alexr set off with their boards and Ranging timber and went to Rands Edy and there hitched to Lieut Voses sons Raft and Alexr went in their service to Pentucket

21st Alexr came home from Pentucket

22d I began a net for the new setting place

24th I finished it and knit a shad net for David to carrie to the Eastward with him

25th David set out for Belfast and Mrs Lincoln went home and I sent 4 bushels of potatoes and half a bushel of yellow beans home with her and I knit a Scoop net

26th after dinner I went out the near meadow and got Ash for five scoop net bows

27th I made the bows in the morning and then I went to the little meadow and measured among the lotts alone

28th james and I set a Rail fence across the field above the barn but did not finish for want of 9 Rails

29th jonas split the Rails to do out the fence and did it out the fence and I recd a pistereen from Majr Goffe for the acknowledgement of a deed I took from James Doark to him and the afternoon we went to the funeral of john Bells wife who departed this life the 28th

MAY 1st

we had my brors Steers helping us to plow and I took off a plan of the little meadow for Lieut James Smith

2d Capt Whiting and Capt Dole and Mr McGaw came and finished the Survey in the dispute between james Smith and me and we had my brors Steers helping us plow on the 1st I got two pounds of tobacca and five ounces of Tea from Wm Parker which with what I had from him before on credit answered for half a bushel of yellow beans he had off me and an order Asael Smith gave me on him for 7/8 ballanced the whole I had from him I had from last year five shillings worth of nails for which james workt 1½ day and Alexr a day which which paid them that we are now clear

4th I sowed 1½ bushel and three quarts of flaxseed allmost two bushels of Rie between and the meadow and we had john McLaughlins old Oxen to help us to harrow it in

5th I went to Daniel Blodgets in Litchfield at Esqr Underwoods desire as Attorney for David Lolly and took four Depositions to be us'd at the Superiour next week in a case David Lolly Plant joseph Harvil Deft I charged a travil for each Deposition and swearing them was 5/ each Deposition unpaid I expect to Recieve what the court will allow

6th The afternoon I went to William Parkers to take depositions for Willm Patterson in his case with Samll Goffe I took but one for they agreed to leave their case to men I charged a dollar and Patterson paid me a dollar for my service

7th Sabath day a very great Rain

8th I went and divided 8 stooks of Slitwork at Goffes mill with joseph Goffe I had 60 sticks and joseph had 40 there was some weaney sticks that we did not count on I got 3 of them and I attended the funeral of john McLaughlins daughter Mary and I took the acknowledgt of a Deed for Jonathan Rand from joseph Barron unpd

9th I went to Amherst to the Superiour Court to have my case with james Smith tried but my Evidences was not to go till tomorrow and court would not wait and I was obliged to give up the case I had to pay the jury 18/ I Recd a Dollar from my Robt and I Recd 3/ from Esq Worstor and 2/6 from General Nichols on their notes and I settled with Whiting for his doing the Survey in Smiths case and mine and for the plan and his comeing to me to make Return came in the whole to two

pounds four shillings and gave him an order for it on Esqr I had my dinner and ½ a bowle of W: I: tody at Mr Ellsworths which I owe him yet

10th I shelled 4 bushels of Corn and I with the Oxen and took 1¾ of Rie (being the last Rie I have of my own) to Goffes mill and had it Ground and I let David McCleary (have by his son) two bushels of potatoes and the boys all fished for Elwives brot home 91 and they got 86 yesterday

11th I took the acknowledgment of a Deed for one McIntire of Goffestown for which I Recd a Shilling from Simeon Blanchard of Wilton who got it done and the afternoon I went to Ezekl Lincolns for james and settled his case with Robert Lincoln took all the afternoon

14th I went to meet the funeral of Lieut Whitfield Gillmor who departed this life at 9 o clock last night of a Nervous fevor

15th Alexr and I began to plant corn we planted the peice between and the Meadow and about the Well and before the Barn

16th james Alexr and I went to the falls to fish and we got 30 shad we got 28 home john McLaughlin brot them home for us they Gave him 3 for carrieing them and they gave my brors folks one

17th we got but but 5 shad all day and Polly came with john Pattens mare and took them home

18th james got 6 and let Robt Campbell of Newboston have them Alexr got 5 and I got 8 and we brot the 13 home on john Pattens mare in one of these three days that we have been to the falls Elisha Lincoln got a bushel of potatoes for his father that I had promised to let him have

19th I changed a peck and a quart of seed corn with Thos Harris and he gave me a peck and three quarts of corn for grinding for it and I let Samll Goffe have a peck of seed corn which he is to give me a peck of Rie for it the first time I go to mill

20th I mended my plow that my brors sons broke

22d we planted potatoes by Frenches we planted 6 bushels and about 3 pecks the 3 pecks we got from Mrs French

23d we all went to the falls and came home the morning of the 26th in which time we got home 103 shad and how many Eels I cant tell the 26th we sold 54 for a Dollar in money and we let Esqr McGregore have 40 and let Robt Spear have 40 and let Wm Parker have 20 and Matthew McVea 9 and as I came home I got a pound of Snuff and ½ a pound of tea from Wm Parker to be settled for and I got john McLaughlins mare and went to james Pikes at Capt Eatons farm in Goffestown and got two bushels of Capt Eatons salt toward his note

27th we Rowed up some of the last of our Ground to plant corn on

29th we had young Stephen French helping us and we finished planting corn and we planted some beans some white and some yellow

30th james Alexr and I went to the falls to fish Alexr and I fished untill the 3d of june at night we got home 200 Eels and I suppose between 30 and 40 shad the Quantity of shad I Gues at we sold 20 Eels for money I paid Oliver Emerson 51 Eels for 5/6 I owed him for some tallow I had from him some years ago when he lived in Bedford and we let Capt McGregore have 40 Eels and let Matthew McVea have 54 Eels

JUNE 5th

I got a note of hand from Thomas Boies against james Smith of ten pounds nine shillings in order to settle his Execution he has against me and I gave Boies my note on demand for the same sum and I had my brors young horse and I went to john Arbuckles in Amherst for john Patten to take the acknowledgement of a deed but he was not at home and I came to Stephen Doles and took the acknowledgement of five names to the deed and got home past the middle of the night

6th at the desire of Col: Thorntons son james I went to Derryfield and measured off ten acres and 110 Rods of land to Satisfie an Execution his father had against john Little and at the desire of Nathan Kendal junr Deputy Sheriff I measured off 4½ acres and 34 Rods to Satisfie an execution Esqr Neill had against john Little and I swore the apprizers in both I was allowed a dollar on each Execution Thornton promised to pay me one and Kendall promised to pay the other

7th james and I went to the falls james got 40 Eels and put them off to John Patten I got 5 shad and two Eels

8th I got 6 shad and 10 Eels one shad and 4 Eels I put off for a mug of Cydar and a mug of Grog

9th I went and measured what land is on the west side of the highway of David Fosters land and I measured of an acre that Wm Parker bot from Samll Moor at the bridge over Piscataquog River and Alexr workt for john McLaughlin

10th I got Wm Parkers horse about noon to plow among our corn and james McLaughlin workt for us and I went to Wm Parkers and took a Deed blank with me and Daniel Abbot filled it up and I took the acknowledgment of it from Samuel Moor to Wm Parker of an acre of land at Piscataquog bridge in Bedford

12th I went with Lieut Daniel McNeal to Esqr Underwoods to assist him in a case that Capt Karr sued him the case was continued untill untill the 11th of September next at one of the clock the afternoon And I got a pair of new speiktales at McGaws on credit at two shillings And McNeal gave me half a dollar in money and found me a horse to Ride and I got a pair of Speckticles at McGaws on credit

13th Alexr and I Weeded at the corn

14th I set out to go to see David Pudney but I went no further than Esqr McGregores and I writ to Pudney And I with Esqr McGregore and his brother the Capt Arbitrated between john Harwood and Sarah Wright on his geting her with child they agreed to our judgment I took a note for the whole fees which was 40/6 my charge for to day was 6/ the other arbitrators was 3/ each and David came home from Belfast

15th Robt began to frame his Barn and james got john Pattens mare and took out provision and tools and I went out and workt the afternoon there and brot the mare home in the Evening

16th we plowed part with the oxen and part with john Pattens mare and finished plowing for weeding except some beans

17th Elisha Lincoln Snr and Patrick McLaughlin helped us weed corn and we finished all but some beans my David writ a Deed for Lincoln and

I am to take the acknowledgement which will pay his days work and we planted some beans between and the meadow

19th I drawed two Certificates for josiah Gordon for Rum he brot into New Hampshire charged two shillings unpaid and I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for one josiah Parker from Samuel Goffe unpd I did it at jese Worsters desire and Alexr and I finished planting the peice between and the meadow with beans

20th I got john Pattens Mare and took a bushel of our corn to Goffes mill and I went to Esqr McGregores and he let me have a bushel of Rie for which I paid him 5/ and I brot it to the mill and got them both ground and I had ½ a mug of Grog at McGregores on credit

21st Alexr and I went to help Robt with his frame and I borrowed a Kegg at Chandlers and went to john Wallaces and borrowed five Gallons of Rum for Robt Raisings as I was going out to him and he borrowed David McClearys horse and I Rid him home in the Evening

22d I went out to Robt and took out the Rum from Wallaces and we Raised his house and barn the afternoon and I went and lodged at Alexr Gillcrests

23d David and Alexr and I came home in the forenoon and the afternoon my wife and I and the Girls went to my brors to john Pattens Infare

24th we had john Pattens Mare and plowed among the beans west of the Garden and the corn before the barn and Alexr and I hoed what we plowed

26th Alexr hoed for john McLaughlin which paid what they helped us And I went to the falls and drilled several holes below the old setting place with Daniel Martin in order to make a place to fish and I had 1½ a jill of Rum in water at McGregores on credit and I got a ¼ of Tea at Wm Parkers for which I paid a shilling

27th Was a fine Refreshing Rain and I went to james Gormans to see to have him get me a barrel of Rum and I Recd a Dollar from young John Goffe toward my Runing lines in Derryfield last fall for the selectmen and we had a poor little horse from David Foster and we plowed near ½ an acre of corn and I shelled 2½ bushels of corn and got it ground at Goffes mill

28th james David and Alexr began to board the Barn by Frenches and I hoed some at the corn and Potatoes

29th Simeon Chubbock helped us to about the middle of the afternoon when it came on Rain and put us of from work and him and james David and Alexr began to lay the long shingles on the barn and I borrowed 800 of Board Nails from james Reed

30th I borrowed 300 board nails from Majr Goffe and I got a mare of james Underwoods and went to james Pinkertons and brot 2000 of board nails for which I paid three dollars and I Recd another dollar from john Goffe toward my Runing lines in Derryfield last fall and Simeon Chubbuck helped us to lay long Shingles

JULY 1st

I paid Majr Goffe the 300 nails I borrowed from him yesterday and james

and Alexander workt for Simeon Chubbuck a hoeing and David laid the long shingles one side of a bay of the barn

3d Simeon Chubbuck helped us at the barn and we finished covering the Roof with long shingles

4th I Swore john Boies Junr to three certificates of his bringeing Rum into this State the charge 3/ unpd and james David Alexr And I finished Boarding the barn and the Scafold and put two small cocks of hay into the new barn

5th I was called to measure off land of David Fosters Estate to satisfy ten Executions which was Levy,d by Samuell Corser and my David was one of the Apprizers of the land for two of the Executions we charged two dollars and took Foster for our paymaster and I bot the Mare that was Fosters from Corser for 20 Dollars to be paid in Stock and I gave him a note to be paid the first of next Septr with his promise not to call on me till October

6th Alexr workt for Simeon Chubbuck the afternoon

7th Simeon Chubbucks wife got a peck of yellow beans and David and Alexr and hoed the peice of corn between and the meadow and plowed among the corn

8th james McLaughlin helped us hoe the forenoon and two Rows in the afternoon and there came on a shower that we hoed no more today and my wife let Stephen French have a peck of peas and a peck of yellow beans to be paid in leather in the fall of the year

10th I had to give Josiah Gordon two certificates in the Room of the two I gave him the 19th of last june the first being lost And we finished plowing and hoeing our corn the second time

11th we plowed and hoed the potatoes by Frenches and David went about the middle of the day to help Robt to cover his Barn

12th I had to go to Thos Boies and james Vose to try to get an Order to pay Rates for to Ann Moor

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM JULY 12th 1786

13th I went to Lieut Orr and got an order from josiah Gillis for his work at Piscataquog Bridge of 1-4-6 and Alexr workt for james McLaughlin hoeing for us the 8th Instant and I Hued a Sleeper to lay our new barn floor on

14th I hued two more Sleepers for the barn floor and Alexr mowed for Patrick Fling for which Fling is to Reap a day for it

15th we had Frenches oxen the forenoon and hald two logs to Goffes mill to make plank for our barn floor and the afternoon we hued the Rest of the sleepers for the barn floor and I went to Thos Boies and got an order from him on the Selectmen for 2 : 4 : 9 for which I gave him my note on demand with Intrest which order I gave to john Moor with two selectmens orders one to my james of 1: 4: 6 and one to me of 1-1-9 cleared off all my Rates and james Rates I had paid 3-9-9 in three orders before and james had paid him 0: 12: 0 his Rates and mine was 8: 12 : 9 the several orders and the 12/ james had paid amounted to the sum of our Rates

17th we had my brors Steers and wheels the forenoon and we took two

logs to Goffes mill and we brot a stock of Eight plank to our barn and the Afternoon we had Frenches wheels and David and I with our Oxen Drawed the Sleepers to lay the barn floor on and Alex^{r} mowed for French

18th David Alex^{r} and I fitted the Sleepers in the barn for to lay the floor on the forenoon it was a considerable a Rain today and the afternoon I took Agnes Killpatrick examination of her being with child of a Bastard to john Thomas Caldwell and a power of attorney from her to her father Giffin I charged 7/6 for the examination wart and power and the acknowledgement which Giffin promised to pay

19th we had Frenches Oxen the forenoon and my brors Wheels and we took a pine log to the mill and then an Oake to make Cart fellows and the afternoon we laid down about two third of the barn floor

20th Alex^{r} mowed all day for james Houston and I went after joseph Sanders to get him to make a pair of Cart wheels and David Raked hay for French the afternoon

21st we finished laying down the plank on the barn floor and got home a stick for the cart hubbs and I went out to our Rob^{ts} place and brot home some tools

22^{d} we got home two plank to make cart fellows out of the log we took in the 19th and I borrowed 7 quart of Rum from john McIntosh and I paid French what Rum we borrowed from him when we were covering our Barn and I swore Elisha Lincoln to his bringing a barrel of Rum into this State and gave him a Certificate unpd and james Houston made one new shoe out of my old shoes and set it and an old one of mine on my mares fore feet

24th joseph Sanders came and began to make our Cart wheels and David and I workt at them allso

25th Alex^{r} mowed for joseph Bell the afternoon

26th Alex^{r} mowed for joseph Bell all Day and Sanders had to go to Chandlers to mend a cart wheel for a man belonging Concord which took him half the day and I began to Reap by Frenches I reaped 15 sheaves

27th I lent Ezek^{l} Gardner four thousand of shingle nails and Sanders nearly finished the wheels he charged me 10/6 for 3½ days he was at them 3/ he Owed me some years and eight pence he got for 4 spokes of mine he put into the Concord wheel he mended yesterday Reduced it to 7/ I owe him for his work to the wheels

28th Patrick Fling Reaped for us for Alex^{rs} mowing for him the 14th instant we viz him and I and Alex^{r} Reaped the Rie by Frenches with what I Reaped the 26th there was 19 stooks and seven sheaves in all on it and David finished the Cart wheels all but putting the Tire

29th I borrowed two pound and six ounces of Iron from French and got Houston to make 20 Cart nails of it and David and I put the Tire on our new wheels and Alex^{r} mowed for Ezekial Gardner and David got two Gallon of Rum (that I borrowed from Ezek^{ll} Gardner) and paid it to john Wallace toward the five Gallon I borrowed from him for our Roberts Barn and house Raisings and he got half a Gallon from French for our selves

31st we took in the Rie by Frenches and I got joseph Bell to make me 50 brad nails of my iron and Alex^{r} got him to make him a Nib iron of my

iron and Ezekial Gardner had my ox and Cart to take in two jags of hay today and one the 29th and Simeon Chubbuck had them to take in a jag the 29th and David went to Chester

AUGUST FIRST

Alex^{r} mowed for john Moor in the north End of the town to help pay toward a Sheep or two he is to have from him And I fitted at and put up boards on each side the floor in the barn and David came home from Chester

2^{d} was a Considerable Rain and Alex^{r} and David thrashed two stooks and a sheaf of Rie and there was two bushels and above a peck of Rie of it and I took 1½ bushel of it to Goffes mill and got it ground and joseph Bell made me 50 brad nails of my iron

3^{d} I broke one side of the long body of my cart and David and I took a stick to Goffes mill to make new sides and Alex^{r} mowed for john Moor

4th we got the sticks sawed in two that we took to the mill yesterday but could get no more for want of water and David and I Repaired the cart body and Alex^{r} thrashed three stooks of Rie

5th Alex^{r} went and took jonathan Bayley with him and moved for john Moor and I thrashed 6 sheaves and cleaned it and what Alex^{r} thrashed yesterday

7th I went with four bushels of Rie to Goffes mill and had it ground being all we have thrashed and Alex^{r} began to mow at the little meadow being the first I went to john Boies and attended all day on Thomas Boies and james Vose and Swore the apprizers to satisfy their Execution against john Wallace and john Rand Esqr

8th Esqr McGregore and I held a Court at Chandlers on two Warrants between Sam^{ll} Moor and Sam^{ll} Huston they had each of them one against the other for lieing we aquited each no cost taxed nor paid

9th james thrashed of the flax seed and cleaned it there was a bushel & 10 quarts

10th james thrashed three stooks of Rie and I hooked up some early peas and David hooked up some and I Riddled the Rie to put it into bags but could not clean it for want of wind

11th we all went to the Little meadow and David brot two jags with our Oxen and joseph Bell made me three Nib irons and made a link for a Draft chain and four wedges of my iron for the scyth tackleing

12th I gave William McAlester two certificates of his bringing Rum into this State and joseph Patten brot a load of hay in the afternoon for us and David brot a jag with our Oxen and james and Alex^{r} mowed some and turned and Raked up 14 cocks

14th was considerable of Rain and james borrowed two quarts of Rum from john Patten

15th we had joseph Bell james and Patrick McLaughlin helping us mow and Rake and joseph Patten brot a load of hay for us and I brot a jag home

16th we had james McLaughlin helped us finish mowing and Rake and

joseph Patten came out with his team and loaded it and Alex^{r} drove it home and joseph stay,d and Raked and I brot jag with our Oxen and we finished Rakeing there was 104 cocks of it

17th we had john Wallaces son Thos and his four Oxen and Adam Dickey and his four Oxen and cart and joseph Patten and four Oxen and cart and we had Frenches oxen and cart and we put our Oxen with them made four teams and brot two load each which brot it all home we had 17 load in all yesterday I gave Theophil Griffin a Certificate for his bringing Rum into this State to be settled for

18th I swore Sam^{ll} Fugard to his being an Inhabitant of Bedford charged a shilling unpaid and james and I Reaped at the Spring Rie at home and Alex^{r} workt for james McLaughlin at Chandlers

19th james and I finished Reaping the Rie in morning and then went to the lott and hooked up the Remainder of the peas and thrashed the early peas and had about 12 quarts of them and David brot up the Rie there was 15 stooks of it and Alex^{r} workt for james McLaughlin at Chandlers these two days of him paid what he helped us this week at the meadow geting our hay

21st james thrashed the peas and David and Alex^{r} cleaned at the cellar to prepare for stoning it

22^{d} they got a few stones laid in the foreside wall and the upper end of the drain and I cleaned the peas there was 2 bushels and about 12 or 13 quarts of them and joseph Bell sharpened a Crowbar and our pick

23^{d} james David Alex^{r} and Simeon Chubbuck workt at the Cellar wall and joseph Bell steeled the point of james Crow barr with my steel and made me 20 brad nails of my iron

24th james and Alex^{r} helped Simeon Chubbuck mow two loads of hay in the Swamp and then he helped us at the Cellar wall and the afternoon David and I Raked and cocked it and French had our Oxen all day helping him

25th james and David and our Oxen and Cart helped Simeon Chubbuck take in the hay we Raked yesterday and then he helped us at the cellar wall and I cut Stalks last night was a frost that cut the corn leaves Beans and potatoes a considerably

26th I cut Stalks awhile in the forenoon and it came on and was a pretty Rain

28th I went to Londonderry to hear the arbitration between Sam^{ll} McFarland and john Crumbee at Mr jones and I went home with Robt McMurphy and I lodged there

29th it Rained the forenoon and the afternoon I went to Major Tolfords and I lodged there

30th I came home from Chester

31st I went to Chandlers and took three depositions for john Neal Esqr and Ezekial Gardner and Simeon Chubbuck helped james and Alex^{r} at the Cellar wall

SEPTEMBER 1st

Simeon Chubbuck helped james and Alex^{r} at the Cellar wall and I cut

Stalks and David had john McLaughlins mare and went to Chester with Susey and he came home at night

2d we finished cuting and Stooking our stalks

4th we all leveled the house and underpinned it

6th I took Zechh Chandlers and his wifes Depositions for Esqr Neall (vs) Robt Willson no person appeared for Willson

6th we all attended the funeral of Lieut Orrs wife

7th I cleaned the Rie of 4 stooks of the Rie that Growed at home there was only two bushels of it Alexr thrashed it the 5th

8th I got the two bushels that I cleaned yesterday ground at Major Goffes mill in the morning and then I went to Capt james Walkers funeral

9th Alexr work,d for Simeon Chubbuck and our Robt work,d for us and james and him and David began to build the wall of the Arch for our Chimney

11th I gathered the corn below the wall and the boys finished the wall of the Arch in the Cellar for laying the timber on

12th Rainey and we husked the corn and james filled a fine Riddle

13th I Delivered Capt McLaughlin all his mothers that I had in keeping and took his Rect for them and obligation to save me harmless on the acct And I let Levi Whitman have a bushel of new corn and I let him have a shad fish and two lamper Eels day before yesterday with two shillings he owed me before paid him for a great Wheel I bot off him the ninth Instant

14th we got timber to cover the Arch all but one stick

15th we got the Stick that was lacking for the arch and got stones to lay on the timbers

16th I got ½ a bushel of New indian corn ground and Esqr Neal sent his son for the Depositions I had taken for him I gave them to the boy and he paid me a Dollar for my takeing and certifying them and we worked at fixing stones on the Arch and Clay yesterday and today David Run lines and Measured land for james Underwood and james Mors

18th French had our Oxen and David got a bushel of new Indian corn ground

21st Patrick McLaughlin and their 4 oxen and he had Bells cart and joseph Patten and their 4 Oxen and we had Frenchs Oxen and Steers with our Oxen and we brot 5 loads of Brick and a load of Clay and Mr john jones came to build our Chimney but did not begin for we could not tend on him

22d We tended on the Mason and leveled the foundation and began the Chimney and I got 1¾ bushel of Rie and 1¼ bushel of corn ground and I went to joseph Houstons and got ten pounds of Butter off him toward my assisting him about his Constableship

23d I borrowed 8 £ of pork from Matthew McDuffee and I went to the Forge and I got a Mantle tree from Shed it and the bolt weighed 30 £ and my wife let Mr Jones have 8 shad fish toward his work

25th joseph Patten brot two load of brick from the meadow and Nehemiah Lincoln helped us to tend the masons

26th we had Nehemiah Lincoln and his fathers four oxen helping us

27th we had Nehemiah Lincoln and his fathers four Oxen helping us but we met with bad luck that Oxen did not do more than 1½ days work in both days

28th we all tended on the Masons and yesterday I got four bushels of Lime from john Moor to do the top of our Chimney and I got 1½ bushel of corn ground and I borrowed two quarts of Rum from Simeon Chubbuck I got it at Chandlers on his acct

29th we finished the Chimney about one or two of the clock Mr jones charged me 9½ dollars for building it of which David gave him two orders for two dollars on two of his neighbours and the 8 shad fish he got the 23d at 4/ and I let him have two corn baskets at 4/ more and I gave him a line to Willm Patterson for a dollar and David gave him an order on him for ½ a dollar all toward his building the chimney

30th we began to turn the boards on the Roof of the house

OCTOBER 2d

We finished turning the Roof boards and I hewed a spear for the short Cart body and we got up the stageing for shingling and began to lay them

3d David Run lines for Capt Samuel Moor and james and Alexr shingled some and helped me to put the spear into the axle tree and I went to Samll Patterson and got 1½ thousand of Shingles he owed me a number of years

4th we finished laying the Shingles on the East side of the house

5th I went to try to borrow some Shingles from Esqr McGregore but he was not at home and james David and Alexr took down the stageing and Errected at the other side of the house and laid some more than a thousand of shingles we were hindered with several showers today

From this to the first of january 1787 I kept no particular acct of my affairs only in the General That I went to jacob McQuads on the 17th of October for David Riddel and took the acknowledgement of a Deed and next day I went to jacob again for David and took the acknowledgement of another Deed for David for which I charged half a dollar and some time afterward I drawed an order for it to joseph Bell and he told me David answered it

On the 10th we moved into our new house In Novbr we diged a well of about 20 feet below the surface and had above four feet of water in it I gave john jones an Order on james Patten for a bushel of salt which he got which paid him all for building our chimney except a Dollar for which salt I gave john Patten an Order on joseph Barron for five shillings and I got six Gallons of Mollasses from john Patten which was paid by two pigs he had and a Dollar I answered General Nichols for Recording three Deeds for him and other service I did for him the Molasses were two pistereens a Gallon and sometime in December I took the acknowledgement of a Deed from john Whitman to Isaac Riddel for which Isaac promised to pay me and I gave john Burns junr a certificate of his bringing Rum into this state he promised to pay me for it On the fifth of Decbr I mar-

ried Robt and Merriam Lincoln which day was a Violent snow storm from the N: E: and was followed on the ninth and tenth by an extraordinary snow storm from the N: E: the wind very high both storms and the snow drifted very much it was between two and three feet deep and in this month I took the acknowledgement of a deed from Isaac Riddel to josiah Gilles which Isaac promised to pay and I got 5 £ of tobacca from joseph Houston which with 25 £ of butter I got from him this faull at three times paid me for my assissting him two or three years ago about his constableship

JANUARY 1st 1787

5th and 6th I surveyed twenty two acres and one hundred and six Rods. of land to satisfie my Execution of Samll Moors to William Ordway for which Ordway gave me his note for 12/

16th Simeon Chubbuck and Nehemiah Lincoln cut wood for us

17th we had john Bells Mare and my wife and David set out for Chester in our Slea

18th Col Elisha Lincoln helped us on Simeon Chubbucks acct and to load the wood we got out the 16th

19th we brot the Loom from the old house

20th I writ a Deed for john Kidder of Newchester to be paid in flax and I writ a letter to Col: Hutchins of Haverhill for flour and flax and my wife and David come home from Chester

22d William Ordway brot me a bushel of salt toward my pay for measureing off the land to him from Samuel Moor I allowed him five shillings for it and took an order on Esqr McGregore for the Remainder of my pay being seven shillings And I let David Pudney have a Cow at 3-9-0 toward my Note and made a bargain with him to let him have my two year Old steer in the spring for the Remainder of my note If I dont make out pay to him otherwise by that time and I got 1½ bushel of corn ground at Majr Goffes mill

24th I got 1½ corn and 1¼ of Rie ground at Majr Goffes mill

30th Alexr Greg of Newboston came to my house for some advice about his bror james Estate and tarried all night he gave me a Dollar for my advice in the affair and time I spent with him

FEBRUARY 1st

I went to Litchfield to see to get corn from Widow Parker and joseph Barns for what they owe me I got the promis of six bushels of corn from james Nochar on Mrs Parkers acct

2d I borrowed james Wallaces Slea and went Majr Dunlap sand got Six Chair frames he owed me for 60 Eels he had 3 or 4 years ago to be settled in the frames

3d I went to Majr Pinkertons and I bot a pound of Tea and 3 Do of Shugar and ½ £ of Snuff and an Earthen Mug all which came to a Dollar and I give him the Dollar I got from Alexr Greg for them

6th French put in his horse with my Mare into the Slea and we went to Litchfield and I got six bushels of corn from james Nochar junr on Widow

Parkers acct towards what she owes me of Probate fees she owes me two dollars of fees yet

10th Nehemiah Lincoln worked for us

12th Nehemiah Lincoln come to work a week for us for a dollars worth of Eels in the Spring and worked 4 days of this week

16th I got two bushels of Rie ground at Majr Goffes Alexr thrashed it to day

17th I had Frenches horse and Alexr and took 20 bushels of Ashes to james Pinkertons for which I got 1000 of Board nails ½ £ of tea a pen knife jill of W : I : Rum and two Coppers came to 11/8 the price of the Ashes at 7 pence pr bushel

18th Mr Allen preached in Bedford

19th we attended William McAllesters funeral who Departed this life at 4 oclock in the morning on the 18th and I paid james 800 of Board nails I borrowed from him the 29th of last june

20th I gave john Gordon and order on the County Treasurer toward my Rates of Sixteen shillings

23d Alexander Gregg of Newboston came to my house and tarried over night and gave me 13/4 to go with him to Amherst tomorrow

24th I went with Alexr Gregg to Amherst & writ a Release from Robt Morril and his wife of their Right to james Greggs Estate to Alexr Gregg for them to Sign And bot 4 £ of shugar at Albrees for which I paid 2/4 and bot a pound of Chalk at Means for which I paid four pence And Robt Mathes got nine or ten hundred of hay out of my old Barn to be paid in Rie next fall at 9/

26th I went Majr Pinkertons and bot a pound of snuff for which I paid 2/8 and I went to james Pinkertons and I bot half a Pound of Snuff at 1/4 and a pen knife at 1/ and a Quire of paper at 1/ and I paid him the money for them

27th was a snowy day it fell five or six inches deep

28th john Cuningham got half a tun of hay from me And I went to Amherst for Alexander Gregg to try to get Robert Morril out of Goal and had to tarrie over night

MARCH 1st

I was on the same business but he would not come out but I got liberty for him to come to Mr Smiths and he signed a Quitclaim to Alexander Gregg of his Intrest in james Greggs Estate and Returned him to prison again And Alexr Gregg gave me two Crowns or 13/4 lawful for my trouble and I came home

5th I went to Goffestown Annual meeting at Capt Timothy Eatons desire who promised to pay me for my going to see about their settleing the line between them and Newboston which prevented its being settled

6th I went to Amherst at Robt Morrils desire to try to get him out of Goal but the court did not sit and could do nothing for him and I gave him a pint of Rum which with my horse at hay while I staid cost me nine pence and I went to Alexander Greggs in Newboston to help apprize james Greggs Estate

7th and 8th was on the business of Apprizing said Estate and Attesting to the Inventory and Returning home I agreed to have a Cow from Alexr Gregg at ten dollars to be paid in service my present service answered three dollars of her

A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM MARCH 8th 1787

12th I sent Alexr to Newboston for the Cow I am to have from Alexr Gregg and he got her and he came to Widow McCollums and lodged there

13th he came home with the Cow and brot word for me to go to Alexr Greggs to take Deacon Fersons Depositions in perpetuam concerning his bror johns Estate

14th I went to Alexr Greggs as pr desire and lodged there

15th Esqr Cockran and I took Deacon Fersons Deposition in perpetuam And the afternoon I went to Amherst and attended the Sessions and Alexr Gregg sent the Deposition and the Inventory of his brors Estate with me to be Returned and Recorded I Returned the Inventory to Mr Dana for which I paid 3/4 and I gave the Deposition to General Nicholes but gave him no money for he owed me Gregg gave me 13/4 to do them things and for my trouble and I lodged at Colo : Baldwins

16th and 17th was on the business of drawing a petition for Robert Morril to have the liberty to swear out of Goal prefering it obtaining an order for a hearing from the judges drawing a coppy and geting it certified serving the Selectmen of Bedford with it the Clerks fees was 2/ which I paid for Morril and did not Receive it from Morril he paid my Expences at Colo Baldwins which was 10/4 I attended the Sessions these two days

19th I went to Esqr McGregores and got a bushel and a peck of salt for an Order that William Ordway gave me on him the 22d of last january on acct of my laying off land from Samll Moor to him And I got a bushel of Rie and a bushel of corn from Majr Goffe and I gave him three Crown at twenty shillings lawful and he is to let me have grain for the Remainder of the money more than what I got today came to

20th I went to Nathan Sheds to get him to make an ax he was from home and I got none

22d I went to Majr Pinkertons and I bot a Gallon and a pint of Rum at 3/ and ½ £ of tea at 1/4 and two pounds of shugar at 1/ all come to 5/4 and I paid the money for them And I brot the Rum to Majr Goffes and let him have it which paid him the Bottle full of Rum I borrowed from him some time last fall

23d I got four bushels of English Turnips from Ezekial Lincoln which stood in the ground over winter to be settled for in our Acct

24th was a high wind at N: W: and very cold and Alexr and the Oxen worked for james Reed and in the afternoon several of the neighbours came and we moved Reeds new barn frame between 3 and 4 Rods East

26th I went and got 3 bushels of Indian corn And half a bushel of Rie from Majr Goffe which with the bushel of corn and the bushel of Rie I got the 19th from him came to the 20/ I gave him there

27th I went to Amherst with Alexr Gregg and from there to Newboston to assist him in obtaining proper security for the money Deacon Cristy owed his bror james I got home the 30th at night but we got no new security my wages was four dollars to be discounted in the price of the Cow I got from him and I borrowed ten dollars from him for which I gave him a Note on demand with Intrest untill paid

31st I went to Widow Riddels at Widow Mary Bells desire to help to settle her affairs but she had done it Verbaly and I went to Esqr Orrs and Delivered a petition from Robt Morril and john Cuningham got five hundred of hay from me

APRIL 2d

I went at Widow Mary Bells desire to Widow Riddels and my David went with me and he writ her will And john McIntosh up the River got a Tun of hay from me out of my old Barn

3d I went to Amherst to see about Robert Morril swearing out of jail had to tarrie over night

4th the judges gave it as their oppinon that he did not come within the prescription of the law and therefore could not swear on it Alexr Gregg bore my Expences and found money to pay the judges and Clerk was 13/4 and he gave me 8 pence to my self and I came home and toward evening I went to Widow Riddels and had Mary Bells will Read she departed this life yesterday about noon and was buried today in the afternoon she had appointed me her Executor

6th I went to Nathan Sheds and he laid an Ax and shut the web or bit of one into an Eye I got from Samuel Goffe in the lieu of 5 £ and 10 ounces of Refined iron he borrowed off me two or three years ago the steel was mine and the iron that laid the ax was his

7th I was to hold a Court George Orr Plant David Foster Deft they appeared and settled Orr is to pay the fees my fees was 3/9 and a shilling more for signing the blanks

9th I went to james Pinkertons and bot 2½ yards of Germin serge 13¾ lb of iron 3 7-16 of English steel 3 lb of shugar 1 lb chocolate Do tea one pint of Rum for which I paid him 1-5-11½ but I suppose that I paid him 1/ more than the things came to through some mistake

11th joseph Bell laid a peice of Iron and a peice of Steel on the point of my plow shear and a peice of steel on the Colter the steel and iron was mine And james Reed and his oxen and Mare and john Cuningham and his Oxen and Mare and his boy split Indian hills for me and I had young Stephen French to drive for Reed and Alexr harrowed with our Oxen and mare And john Cuningham got 5 or 6 hundred of hay from me

12th WAS THE GENERAL FAST THROUGHOUT THE STATE

13th I went to Capt Aikens and took down minuts to draw his will by and afterward I went to Sheds old place and Vendued his land and house I propose not to charge Aiken anything for my day

14th Amos Gardner got three bushels of potatoes which with a bushel of potatoes he got in the winter paid him for all the baskets him and his wife made for me last faul

16th I bot two bushels of corn from jono Bailey for which I paid him 6/8 and I got the corn ground at Major Goffes mill and I let james Wallace have 800 of hay out of my Barn at home

17th I lent Mr Bodwell 500 of hay to be paid next Summer And went to Amherst and took David Riddel and my David as witnesses to Widow Bells will and had it proved for which I paid 10/ our Expences was 2/4 David was a Witness to Wm McAllesters Will which was proved at the same time I Recd a Dollar from Wm Rogers of Acworth to help pay the fees and the other dollar I found

18th Esqr Orr and held a Court james Cairns Plant john Little and his son james Little Deft Orr and I adjourned the Court untill Wednesday the 16th of May next at three of the clock in the afternoon to meet at my house

23d james Houston made a plate for our breaking up plow and changed a plate that he had and iron for a link of a chain for an old Ax of mine and made the link and put it in a Chain of Chandlers thro a mistake and joseph Bell put a bit of steel on the point of my breakeing up Colter and drawed the bolt about an inch longer and james Wallace finished makeing a breaking up plow for me I found the handle and mould board

25th we had john McLaughlins and his four Oxen and we had james Wallace pair and Frenches pair of Oxen and a pair of Oxen from Gordon and an Ox from Ezekl Lincoln that we put with our off ox and we broke up the peice between the field and the barn and we had Lincolns son Isreal to help us drive

26th joseph Bell made two shoes of my Iron and set them on my mares fore feet a considerable Rain last night a moderate and Rained today the wind at north and very cold

27th we had Frenches Oxen an hour or two with ours and twitched a few logs and made up the fence about the field at home and I got 3 bushels of corn from jonathan Bailey and I gave him two Crowns or 13/4 Lawful

28th I lent john Boies nine hundred of hay to be paid in hay next summer and I got the 3 bushels of corn Ground at Goffes mill that I got off jona Bailey yesterday

30th we had Ezekl Lincolns Ox and worked with ours

MAY FIRST

we had Lincolns Ox and john Cuninghams boy and Steers and we plowed at the old place

2d we had Cuninghams boy and steers and john McLaughlin and his four Oxen and Lincolns Ox and plowed with two plows at the old place

3d I borrowed one of the Crowns I had paid jono Bailey and went to Majr Pinkertons and I bot a pound of Tea at 2/8 and half a pound of snuff at 1/4 and a pound of Chocolate at 1/2 and six pounds of shugar at 3/4 and I paid him the money for them and Lincoln had our Ox at work for him

4th james worked for joseph Patten

5th we had joseph Pattens four Oxen and David and I plowed in the field by the house

7th we had joseph Pattens four Oxen and john Cuningham and his son

and his Steers and Lincolns Ox to work with ours and plowed out the field by the house and harrowed the new ground And I went to Newboston to assist Robert Morril in an arbitration with Robert Patterson of Newboston and I lodged at Alex^r Greggs

8th I borrowed nine Crowns from Alex^r Gregg and gave him my note for it and for nine crowns I borrowed from him the 30th of last March and dated it the 20th of last April and I went to Amherst and I got a Copy of widow Bells will with letters Testamentary for which I paid 3/ helped Morril about his affairs and Majr Oliver Holms gave me a dollar to tarrie as an Evidence for him at the court and I put up at Smiths

9th I tarried and attended at the court and assisted Morril and I advanced 8 of the crowns I borrowed from Gregg for Morril to help pay debt he owed at Keen and I signed note for 1-6-11 with Morril for the Remainder of the debt and cost

10th I attended the court and the Majr got his affair on at Evening and he gave me two dollars more which with the one he gave me before I accepted as full satisfaction for my attendance

11th Was a Rain last night and I settled my Reckoning at Smiths before dinner which was 11/5 and Morril pd 5/5 of it and I drawed an order on Esqr Neal for a dollar to Mr Smith for the Remainder of my Reckoning and I eat my dinner there after our settlement for which I paid 10 pence I had a bowle of punch at Means for which I paid 1/6 and one penny for snuff my whole expences was 13/10 and I came home in the afternoon on the 9th I got a Quire of Deed blanks from Esqr Worster toward his note

12th I let Nathan Shed have five hundred of hay

14th I got 2½ bushel of corn from jont. Bailey and paid him for it and the Crown I borrowed from him the 3d Instant there was but ¾ of the crown his and I shelled ½ a bushel of our own corn which made it up 3 bushels and I got it Ground at Goffes mill

15th I sowed about ¾ of a bushel of flax seed and I suppose near as many peas and the afternoon I attended Capt Aikens funeral and went back to his house from the Grave and produced his will (for he gave it to me to keep) and had it Read and then gave it to his widow

16th in the afternoon was Cairns and Littles case by adjournment they agreed to leave the case to men and appointed it a Rule And a while before Sun set my Mare went off down toward Mr Dickeys David followed her about ¾ of a Mile but could not catch her nor stop her

17th I went as far as McGaws on foot and got an acct of her going by there about sun set and then came home and got my brothers young horse and went After her through Dunstable to jacob Howard in Chelmsford and lodged there

18th I crosed over the River at Widow Colburns and went to Mr joseph Richardsons who bred her and then to Mr jabez Colburns who had owned her and then up through Notingham and Litchfield as far as the meeting house and crosed the River then and up by Merrymac Meeting house and then home but could not get any further acct of her my Expences was 2/6

19th I had word sent me by james Houstons folks that my mare was at Colo Thorntons and I got a Mare from French of his Mother Colburns to

do an erant for him to joseph Thomases and McGaws and I got my mare in Charity Lunds field and I bot a pen knif and 6 Bisquit and and ½ a bowle of W: I: Tody and two coppers worth of snuff at McGaws for which I paid him 2/1 and 2/3

21st David and I furrowed the land at the old place for planting with the mare

22d john Cuningham and his son helped us and we planted the corn at the old place all but a little which was so wet that we could not plant it and some potatoes and some Beans

nothing material untill the second of june save that we improved fishing what we could and got but about a Dozen Shad and ninety four or five Eels

JUNE 2d

1 let Colo Aaron Kinsman have my English Ox in pay of the mare I bot from Samuell Corser last summer we sat no price he is to pasture him and to Acct for what he comes to when killed and sold out pastureing deducted

5th james David and I worked at the highway by Martins the forenoon under Chandler for last year we have done about 4 days work of ahand more than our Rates beside two days of a pair of Oxen and a day of ahand breaking paths in the winter

17th we left off fishing we got about Eels in all and put off about at the falls and on the 19th my wife let Matthew McDuffee have 30 Eels for 8 £ of pork I borrowed from him last fall when we built our Chimney they were salted and Dried and james and David began to weed the corn at the old place and I shelled what corn we had there was 2¾ of a bushel of it and I got it ground at Goffes mill and I had the toal for which I paid ½ a pistereen to joseph Goffe who ground it

ON the 11th I settled a line between Archibald Gambel and Mr Ayers in Derryfield for which Archibald paid me a Dollar

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22d last night I fished at the falls and got 25 Eels and I got two salmon that weighed 23 £ and two shad in the day time and David took the Eels and 27 he got to Ezekl Lincoln

26th james McLaughlin helped us weed corn

27 james McLaughlin john Cuningham and Col Elisha Lincoln helped us hoe

28th Amos Gardner and john Cuningham helped us hoe forenoon and we finished weeding

29th I got a Gallon of Rum from Isaac Riddel toward what he owes me and I paid Simeon Chubbuck two quarts out of the Gallon that I owed him since we built our Chimney last fall I had the two quarts from Chandler on our account

30th David and I Cut Bushes betwixt and Wallaces and james worked for Chandler

JULY 2d

I attended at john Cuningham to swear the Witnesses in Cairns case with Little before the Referees at Cairns desire that Referees Returned the Rule without any Report

3d I went to William Parkers at his desire and measured a peice of land on the west side of the highway of David Fosters land that Parker had bot Parker gave me 1/6 in money and is to Sole my shoes for the Remainder of my pay and the Deed

4th I went to William Parkers and took the Deed with one of the peice of land I measured yesterday and took the acknowledgement and had ½ a bowle of W: I: tody and Parker soled my shoes and we offset my service against the ¼ of a dollar he gave me and soleing my shoes and the tody and I brot my Nets and Eel hook home from the falls

7th joseph Patten helped us hoe for our james's helping him yesterday and james Patterson and john Riddel apprized widow Mary Bells things and I attended and I borrowed a quart of Rum from David Riddel for us to drink on the business and David Riddel paid me 2/ for two Certificates he had of his bringing Rum into this State the one was in the year 84 and the other in 85

9th joseph patten the forenoon and part of the afternoon there was a shower and the burial of james Wallaces child which was dead born this morning

10th we had some corn in ears in a barrel which I did not know of and I shelled it there was about 28 quarts of it and I got it ground at Goffes mill by joseph Goffe he let me have the toal of it for which I paid him four coppers

12th I went to McGaws in the afternoon and I got a bushel of Barly at 3/6 and seven pound of Rice at 2/ and Quire of paper at 1/ and and a Glass W: I: Rum at /2 and I paid him the money for them and I brot the Barly to Majr Goffes and got it ground and I paid him 3½ copers for the toal

17th I attended at Chandlers at Silas Walkers desire and assisted him and his Mother and james about Receiving the Claims on Capt Walkers Estate and directing the drawing of Receipts &c I charged a Dollar

20th David hoed corn for joseph Patten and yesterday and today I cleared southwest of the Barn

21st joseph Patten with james Neasmith on his acct helped us hoe the afternoon

23d David mowed what English grass was at the old place

24th David hoed for james Wallace untill in the afternoon when there came on a great shower there was a large quantity of Rain fell it Rained several hours and I borrowed 1½ bushel of Rie from French and we Suned it until the shower came on and it shrinked a peck of the measure and was not fully dry and I got it ground at Goffes mill

26th john McLaughlin with one pair of Oxen josiah Gordon and their horse and one of their oxen and we put our Ox with him and our Mare and made a team of them and john Cuninghams steers with McLaughlins Oxen made another team and james Wallaces oxen and james Reeds Oxen made another team and I had young john Cuningham and young Stephen French which drove two of the teams and Gordon and David went with other team and we plowed at the old place for to sow Rie on and jean and Sarah Raked hay in the afternoon for Frenchs Stephen driveing oxen for me

27th we had josiah Gordon and his Ox and horse and our Ox and mare and Wallaces and Reeds Oxen and young john Cuningham to drive and we plowed at the old place we plowed 6½ acres yesterday and today

30th David and I finished plowing among the corn at the old place and james hoed and finished hoeing there

31st old Elisha Lincoln hoed for us at home

AUGUST 1st

Elisha Lincoln helped us hoe and we finished hoeing at home

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On the 30th my james and Reed thrashed 4 Stooks of Frenches Rie and cleaned it and I borrowed two bushels of it and when we sued it so that it would grind it shrinked about 12 quarts and I got it ground the 31st

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2d I got 1½ Gallon of Rum from Isaac Riddel and I paid Chandler 5 quarts of it for David that he borrowed in the fore part of July and David went to james Pinkertons and bot ½ a pound of tea and ½ a pound of snuff and 2 ounces of indigo ½ a quire of paper and Pinkerton allowed a shilling in the pay for them that I had paid him too much the 9th of last March I sent 3/4 ⅓ in money

3d I got a gallon of Rum and a gallon of Mollasses from Isaac Riddel

4th I began to Reap our Rie I Reaped 2 Stooks

6th David and I Reaped 6 Stooks

7th David and I Reaped 7 Stooks and 1 Sheaf

8th joseph Patten and john Clogstone junr on josephs acct Reaped the forenoon and our james Reaped all day and David and I and we Reaped 30 Stooks lacking a Sheaf

9th David and I Reaped 3 Stooks and 5 Sheaves which finished our Rie we have 48 Stooks and 5 Sheaves and William Bodwell mowed for john McLaughlin on my acct

11th we got Wallaces and Frenches Oxen and we brot home 16 Stooks of Rie

13th we thrashed 5 Stooks and we had 3¼ bushel of Rie out of it and we got it well sued I got the Rie all ground except ½ a bushel I lent William Bodwell and we had Wallaces and Gordons Oxen and we brot home the Rest of our Rie

14th john Cuningham helped us mow and David mowed at the little meadow being the first we mowed there this year

15th john Cuningham helped us and David and him mowed at the meadow and Cuninghams son came to help us and he built a load of hay and it came on Rain and he came home I took Gordon oxen and put in our mare and brot the load of hay home

16th john Cuningham and his son helped us and I got a Gallon of Rum from Isaac Riddel

17th john Cuningham and his son helped us and we had Gordons Oxen and brot a load of hay

18th We had Wallaces Oxen and put in our mare and brot a load of hay and Reed brot a load of hay for us with his Oxen and Mare

20th joseph Patten brot a load of hay with four oxen and we had Wallaces Oxen and our mare and brot two load and Reed went with his Oxen and mare and brot two load and Bodwell helped us mow

21st last night Rain,d a considerable quanity and Rained by turns all day

22d Rain by turns all day and joseph Bell made a new shoe of my Iron for my mare and toed an old one and set them on my mares fore feet and he drilled a hole in a puding pan Kittle and put in an old Beal in it

23d james finished mowing and jean and I turned the hay &c that was mowed the 20th but got none Raked the meadow was so flooded by the drawing of Esqr Orrs mill pond and David went to Dracut for the Ox he had bargained for with Widow Mirriam Colburn

24th joseph Patten brot two loads of hay and Reed brot one load and james jean Sarah and I got the hay all into cock and David brot home the Ox he is to pay 16 Dollars the first of next July and six bushels of Rie when Merchantable to be carried to her to Dracut for the Ox

25th joseph Patten brot one load of hay and Reed brot another load which finished we have 14 load this year I suppose there is about ¼ less than there was last year on the meadow

27th we got two Boar pigs from john McLaughlin and james mowed for josiah Gordon for his and the Ox help we had of him and his father and David worked for Reed for what he has helped us

28th David worked for Reed and james Mowed for Gordon part of the forenoon

29th james began to thrash the flaxseed off

30th james finished thrashing the flaxseed and David worked for Reed and I went to Newboston by the way of Goffestown to try for money for Thos Boies and lodged at Alexr Greggs

31st David worked for Reed and I came home from Newboston

SEPTEMBER FIRST

David worked at makeing a harrow and I got a bushel of Rie ground at Goffes and we took our flax to Bodwells field to dry out

3d David began to harrow the land we fellowed at the old place and james went and burned the peice over he had cut down at his place and I took Samll Miles wifes déposition concerning his conduct to her and james Patterson for which Patterson gave me a pistereen

7th I went to Dunstable to judge Blanchard for Alex Greg of Newboston to know his Opinion about his Brother james Estate

10th I went to Newboston to give Alexr Gregg an account of judge Blanchards opinion of his brother james Estate and to get some winter Wheat to sow from james smith and I lodged at Smith

11th Smith thrashed and cleaned two bushels of wheat and I came home with it Robt Mathes is to pay james Smith for the two bushels of wheat for ½ a tun of hay I let him have last spring or winter

17th I sowed the two bushel of wheat I got of james Smith and I got 2½ bushels of Rie from john Boies for nine hundred of hay I let him have last spring and I changed two bushels of spring Rie with my brother for

two bushels of winter Rie and I sowed about three bushels of Rie and I took the acknowledgement of three deeds one was from Deacon Moor and his son Willm to Stephen French and the other two was from the Deacon to his son William French is to pay for all the three I charged 3 shillings

18th I sowed as much Rie with what I sowed yesterday as made up about 4 bushels

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On the 13th to a Deed from john Burns of Newboston to Nathan Shed for which Burns paid me 1/ the acknowledgement to Shed unpd

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A DAY BOOK CONTINUED FROM SEPTEMBER 18th 1787

20th I took the acknowledgement of a Deed for Amos Martin to be paid in Rie

21st I took 18½ bushels of Ashes to Isaac Riddel and I got 1½ Gallon of Molasses from him toward them

25th I swore Sam^{ll} Fugard to his liveing in Bedford in order to his geting his half pay from the State to be paid in Rie

28th I Run lines for Thos Hays Senr of Merrymac I charged him a dollar unpd and Polly took a bushel of Flaxseed to Pinkertons and got a pound of Snuff and ½ Do of Tea and two pound of shugar she had john Cuninghams mare for doing some Errands for them

OCTOBER 3d

joseph Bell Steeld 11 harrow teeth for me I had Steel to do 9 of them and I took as much of Capt Wm Walkers as Steeled two of them

4th I went to Londonderry to Run the lines of a fourth Division No 27 which was owned by Esqr Boies heirs and my fatherinLaws heirs and I lodged at George McAllesters

5th I was on the same business Robert McMurphy and james Dough was with me on the affair we made out the bound and I came in the Evening

8th I got half a bushel of Rie from Sam^{ll} Fugard for my Swearing him the 25th of last Septr and once last year about his geting his pay from the State

DECEMBER

I measured twelve Acres of land for Lieut Alex^{r} McColley out of Mr Sheds lott and for drawing a plan of it for him and writing a deed of it he paid me two bushels of Rie in January 1788

Since the 8th of last Octr many things worthy noting I have carelessly Omitted In that time I Recd two bushels of Rie from john Patten on Amos Martins acct by which I fell a shilling in Amos debt I am to get two deeds Recorded for him toward the pay of the Rie And I got ¾ of a bushel of Rie from james Durah on my Davids acct and I got almost a peck of Rie from him toward what he owes me for brick

JANUARY 1788

Several things omitted in this month which ought to have been inserted

FEBRUARY 9th

Capt Dana with the Execn which Noah Cook had against me for my being bondsman for Robt Morril

11th I took a pair of Bull calves to Capt Lovejoy and Capt Dana took them at six dollars toward the Execution

MARCH 12th

my james took nine bushels of potatoes and a bushel of yellow beans to Amherst to Capt Dana which paid off the Execution I had a horse from Symonds Bodwell to put in with our Mare

APRIL 11th

David and Alexr had our logs surveyed at Dracut to Daniel Coburn to Saw there was 542 feet of Oak and 320 feet of pine logs and one pine log left in Newfield Edy more which he was to bring down and rect for he is to give us the half in Newbury port and sell our part for us and to give us order to draw our pay

In this month we divided the boards we had sawed at Goffes mill with joseph Goffe and paid Boards for the 315 feet of plank we borrowed from him fall was a year to lay our tyup floor

16th I was employed by Isaac Riddle to measure off land of Samuel Moors to satisfy an Execution I swore the apprizers but we did not finish my fees was 3/

25th I was on the same business for Riddel and finished my fee was 6/

28 and 29th I went to Samuel Goffes in Goffestown and Run lines and Measured land for him my wages 12/ for him to pay and I Recd a nine dollar continental security from Capt Timo Eaton

MAY 1st

I sowed almost 1½ bushel of Rie and a little more than ½ bushel of Barly at the old place

In the fore part of this month I paid josiah Gordon 1250 feet of Boards for 19/8 his father paid of my Rates to Robt Mathes

12th we got Widow McAllesters horse and Alexr went to Deacon Dinsmoors in Windham to see to get money to pay Thos Boies he got home next day

13th I went to Thos Wicoms and Run lines for him of the lott he lives on and David got home from Alexandria with the flour of 4 bushels of wheat he got for his keeping school there last winter

14th David went to Esqr Walkers to see to get money he sent me a Guinea toward what he owes me

15th I went to Amherst according to appointment with Thos Boies and I gave Deacon Dinsmoors note to Esqr Prentice which with its Intrest came to 5–4–0 and I gave him the Guinea Esqr Walker sent me made 6–12–0 and endorsed that sum on my note to Boies and on Boies note to Prentice my expences was a pistereen which I paid of james money

20th I went to Amherst to assist Alexr Gregg at the Probate court but it did not sit my expences was 5 pence

21st I went to Wicoms and finished Runing the lines of the lott he lives on my charge for Runing and a plan is 12/. yesterday and today we had joseph Pattens four oxen to plow for us

26th we had james McLaughlin all day and Ezekl Gardner the afternoon helping us plant corn which is the first we planted this spring we planted four bushels of potatoes at the old place today and the afternoon we had one of Wm Bodwells oxen and put with our Stard ox and hal,d out Dung and others of us planted Bodwell had our ox to work for him before

27th Simeon Chubbuck helped us and we hald dung and got all the Dung out from the end of the barn and the most of it laid and planted some potatoes

28th we finished planting corn and potatoes ourselves

29th David workd for Wm Bodwell and Alexr workd for john McLaughlin for his james helping us the 26th and almost all night

30th I went to the falls in the afternoon but I catched no fish and as I came home Wm Parker gave me shad and lent me another

JUNE 2d

was a training and I swore two of our Selectmen to two Returns to the General Court I left it to them to give an order for it for what they see fit

3d job Holbrook came here yesterday and today I let him have our Oxen at eleven pounds and my wife let him have 5½ yards of linin cloath at 2/6 pr yard came to 13/9 Reduced what I owed him for the lott of land to 6-6-0 for which I gave him a new note on Intrest and I went to the falls in the afternoon but got no fish

4th I got a bushel of our own corn and a bushel and about 12 quarts of Rie (being all the Rie we had) ground and had Wm Bodwells mare to carrie it to mill and I drawed an order to Robt Mathes on the County Treasurer for 1-4-0 for the year 1786 we fished chiefly untill the 14th we got about 300 Eels and about 120 £ of salmon and not more than about 15 or therabouts but am uncertain of the number

16th I went to Weare to William Rogers and with Esqr Filbrick took 5 Depositions in perpetuam concerning apair of Cotton Stockings his daughter Hannah had Stolen from her and I lodged there over night

17th I came home by way of Newboston on acct of Alexr Gregg

18th in the morning was a large shower attended with thunder being the first Rain we have had of any quantity for a considerable time

Several things omitted in this month

JULY 1st

My David set out down Country to find Employ

8th I set out for Antrim to hold a Court with Nenian Aiken and David Starret Esqr concerning the maintenance of Phillip bailey at the Request of the Selectmen of Antrim and I lodged at Esqr Sterrets

9th we went to Capt Nichols in Antrim and was on the business

10th we finished and I came to Alexr Greggs in Dearing and lodged there

11th Alexr Gregg gave me a bushel of Rie and ground it for my repairing his Surveying compass I made no charge of it and I bot a pound of Tea at Starks and a Pound of Chalk for which I paid 2/10 and came home

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Among the Patten papers was found manuscript which reads as follows:

October & November, 1798

30th I went to Deering to assist to apprize the estate of Benjamin Dow Decd and set off the widows dower james Neasmith Daniel Gould and Tho: Wallace Jr laid up wall had of J S Riddel 1 quart W: I: rum

31st we were attended by Jno McLaughlin of Deering, who sold land to Dow he shewd us bounds which he said were the bounds of the land he had deeded to Dow. We measured the same and I made a plan thereof. It contains 297 acres.

James Neasmith Daniel Gould & Thos Wallace Junr laid up wall had Doctor Wallaces oxen got a quart Of W: I: Rum of J S Riddle

NOVEMBER

1st we set off Wd Hannah Dows dower and apprized the personal estate that was at Deering came to Mr Dickermans in Francistown and tarried over night. Amos Gardner, Daniel Gould Smith Campbell (in Goulds service) and Thos Wallace Jr laid up wall got a quart of W: I: rum of J. S. Riddel It fell about 2 inches of snow in the evening

2d I came home from Francistown a little before night. Thos Wallace Jr dug stone for wall

3d In the forenoon Thos Wallace Jr and I dug stone for wall, in the afternoon we carted out a load of dung it came on rain and prevented us from work

4th Sunday

5th I attended Wd dows Dows to apprize the remainder of the estate, Mr Vose being unwell we did not finish Thos Wallace Jr and Jesse carted muck

6th I brot my calves from Eben Frenches pd him a Dollar toward their keeping am to pay him half a dollar more

7th got a cart wheel from Jas Walker carted muck

8th laid wall

9th laid wall had Robert Lincoln to help us

10th I workt at highways with cart & oxen

11th Sunday

12th Killed the Dracut cow Beaf & hide 343 lb killed the hog that belonged to Alexr weight 129 lb Pat. McLaughlin helped me

13th I surveyd for Silas Robie charge 1½ bushel of rye. Jesse with oxen and cart helped Pat. McLaughlin draw stones for his well

14th I borrowd one bushel of rye of Mr. French had it ground at Jno Boies mill sent Jesse to Chandlers and got ½ Gallon molasses & a peck of

Salt. I went to & helped Jno Burns better than half the day laying his barn floor

15th Thanksgiving day. I went to Col Moors and he signed a rect of having recd a deed to his son jno which was lodged in my hand

16th took out door dung and dug some stone

17th In the forenoon run the S line of No: 1 in the 7th range

18th Sunday. Rev. Brown preached in this Town

19th Mended the barn

20th Saml Gordon came home from Pepperhill with my mare he went away on Saturday last

21st I went to Col. McGregores on account of the direct Tax bot an Almanc at Riddels for which I pd 8

22d Danl Lincoln helped me kill two swine got ½ bushel salt at Riddles

24th I went to jno Boies and wrote a deed from him to Lt Saml Vose of the east end of his farm wrote a deed from sd Saml to his son Roger of ½ thereof took the acknowledgement recd 69

25th Sunday

26th Drew a log to Maj Goffes mill

27th I workd for Christopher Rice helping to board his barn settled with Thomas Wallace about this time gave him a note for 5d. 61ct

28th jos Bell shod my oxen with new shoes took the acknowledgement of a power of attorney from Jesse Richardson of Newport to Matthew Richardson of Goffstown

29th being appointed one the assistant assessors of the Continental direct Tax in No. 7 I attended at Col. McGregores with Esq Page Esq Clark and Jno Gilcrest to be qualified and instructed for taking the valuation. Recd of the Col. 25 blank sheets of letter A & 20 Do of letter B

APRIL 1799

23d I drew Margt Pattens will. She bestowed on me Cotton and linen cloth for a pair of shirt, a large white punch bowl and one dollar and 12c in money which I had borrowed of her

MAY

Many things omitted which ought to have been entered in day book

26th Margt Patten died of the consumption and on the 27th was buried

30th I went to Lt Samll Voses and drew his Will for which he paid me a dollar

Mare foaled

JUNE

7th Lt Samll Vose died

I took my mare to Dr. Goodridges horse. am to give him a dollar if she take him no more if otherwise I am to give him 2 dollars for the season

9th Lt Samll Vose was buried

10th drew Compt & Wart jane Wallace vs Levi Gage—swore her to the Compt pd jno Burns 2.00 of Hannah Pattens money

11th went to Goffstown and surveyed 50 acres of land of the N end of jno Orr W lot of his farm charged a dollar Alex finished planting today

12th I waited on William Wallace and Levi Gage at our house about two thirds of the day Wallace appeared in behalf of his daughter jane agreed to take a hundred dollars & support her child till it was seven years old. Lt Burns drew the notes to Wallace, and I drew a bond from Wallace to Gage for his performance took the acknowledgement. Then went to the little meadow & fell three oak trees for staves drew the fourth Vol of Josephus History out of the Library

13th I workd for john Burns splitting heading & staves

14th I hoed for josh Gordon jesse hoed for Dr Wallace

17th drew my joyce to the river had 1241 feet joseph Patten surveyed then to Lt Jno Riddel copied Marg Patten's will

18th went to the probate court at Amherst and had the will proved Stephen & William French Jrs witnesses Fees $3.86

Expences .35

19th jno Wallace hoed for me in return for Jesse on the 14th Isaac Lincoln hoed for me

24th and 25th I fished at Amoskeig caught 300 Eels

26th helped Mr French raise his barn at Robt Lincolns

27th josiah Gordon helped me hoe corn the second time

29th jesse and I hoed for josiah Gordon

30th jesse helped josh Gordon the forenoon I Surveyed for Lt Aiken & Wm Riddle divided the Burns land at the Morril hill wrote a deed from sd Aiken to sd Riddle of the N half of sd land took the acknowledgement Aiken pd me .84 Lt Riddle pd me $5.00 toward my joyce afterwards sd Riddle paid me a dollar

JULY

8th surveyed for Timo Dustin & jno Dickey in Derryfd the land he sold to Wm Farmer drew a deed from each of them to sd Farmer and a mortgage deed from Sam P Kidder of his Farmer land to sd Dustin took the acknowledgements charged $2.00 which they paid Phillip Haseltine paid me a dollar he owed me for surveying in 1797

9th I paid Thomas Campbell a dollar which he agreed should be in full of all accounts against me

10th 11th & 12th got the hay at the ministerial land had 1 Ton & 4-5 had ¾ gal N : R : at Mr Riddels

15th Forenoon helped josh Gordon mow at the West Parish proved stormy in the afternoon went to the Canal bot 2 bushels rie of Mr Kidder pd 2.00

16th mowed for josh Gordon at the West parish

22d Robt Lincoln cut the english hay on my mothers Thirds put 36c for her into the Barn he had 18

23d In the afternoon I changed works with Mr French and he sent Daniel Lincoln to reap for me which he finished the 25th toward night and I workd for Mr French the whilst

26th went with Hugh McQueston to Col McGregores McGregore discounted 6.34 out of what the estate owes him took jotham Stearns paymaster which pd my part of the Gould Execution Recd the same on the Execution

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